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ARIZONA'S HERITAGE IN SNOWFLAKE ~ TAYLOR

In downtown Snowflake, Arizona, a statue sculpted by Justin Fairbanks was dedicated by President James E. Faust, during the Pioneer Day celebration in 2000. The statue depicts the event that led to the naming of Snowflake, when the William Jordan Flake family, headed to Utah for business, met along the trail with Elder Erastus Snow of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, and his companions Ira Hinckley (President Hinckley's grandfather) and Jesse N. Smith (first stake president of northeastern Arizona).



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Photo by Cecily Markland

The Snowflake Monument Justin Fairbanks, sculptor

A new pioneer settlement was begun on July 31, 1872, when William J. Flake and his wives Lucy and Prudence led five families, their wagons and livestock into this valley. Lucy Flake described the area as "a beautiful place" with "clear water" and "hills covered with green grass." Within weeks, destitute families began drifting in. Friends and strangers shared the small four-room adobe home sold to Flake with the land, and worked to sustain the settlement.

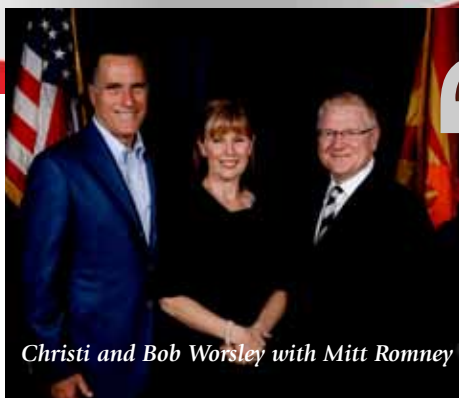
After hearing Flake's report, Elder Snow praised him for his efforts. He suggested they name the growing settlement "Snow-Flake," and plans were made to establish a permanent town. Following their meeting, Snow and his traveling companions, Ira Hinckley and Jesse N. Smith, visited Flake's ranch and helped survey and lay out the townsite. Though this roadside meeting was brief, it was significant.

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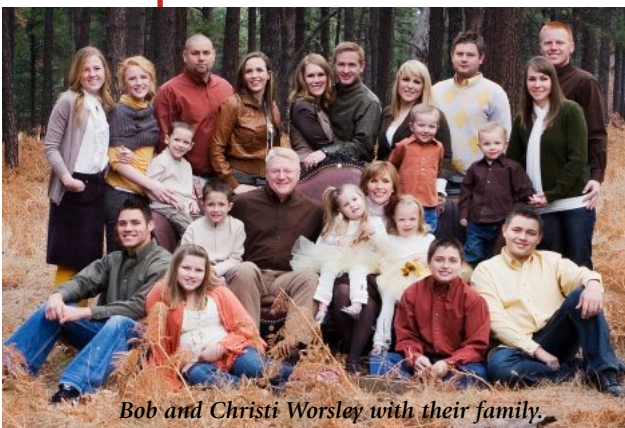
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Sister Cities of Snowflake & Taylor

Are Symbols of Service, Heritage and Family Values

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

The Snowflake Arizona Temple, which serves 11 stakes in northern Arizona, was dedicated in March 2002. The 18,621 sq ft temple, constructed of two-tone granite, was the second temple built in Arizona.

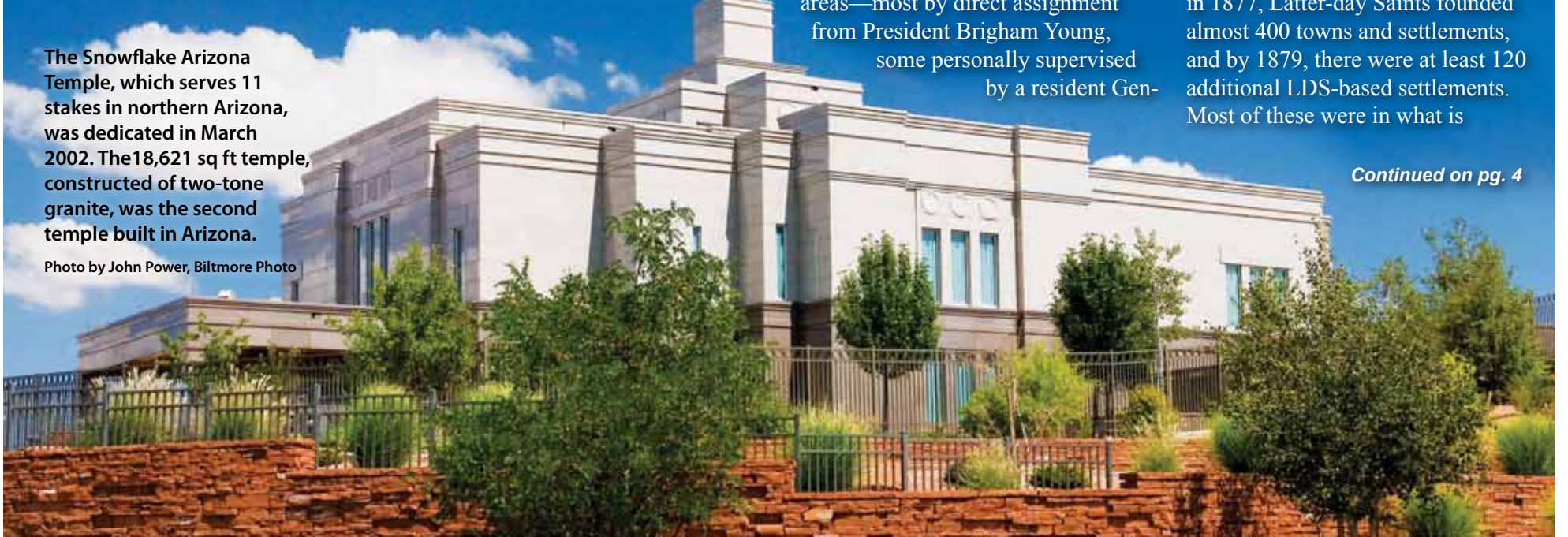
Photo by John Power, Biltmore Photo

Within a short time after the pioneers arrived in the Salt Lake Valley on July 24, 1847, many families pulled up roots again and left to settle outlying areas—most by direct assignment from President Brigham Young, some personally supervised by a resident Gen-

eral Authority and some under their own volition, looking for better opportunities.

As a result, between 1847 and the time of Brigham Young's death in 1877, Latter-day Saints founded almost 400 towns and settlements, and by 1879, there were at least 120 additional LDS-based settlements. Most of these were in what is

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sometimes referred to as the “Mormon Corridor.” On the north, the corridor stretches from Utah into western Wyoming and eastern Idaho. On the south, it encompasses areas of Nevada, California and much of northern Arizona and down to Mesa.

In Arizona’s White Mountain area, faithful Latter-day Saint pioneers, following the will of the prophet, settled areas like Shumway, Eagar, Heber, Holbrook and the twin-cities of Snowflake and Taylor.

Today, newcomers and frequent visitors enjoy the area that boasts of “strong family values, a tightly-knit community, rich cultural history” as well as “mild climate [and] exceptional housing and recreational opportunities,” states the Snowflake-Taylor Chamber of Commerce website.

According to the website, James Pearce, and his wife, Mary Jane, arrived in the Taylor area along the Silver Creek in January 1878. Two months later, John Standiford and his daughter settled just upstream from the Pearces. The site was named Taylor after John Taylor, the third president of the Church. Soon, additional Latter-day Saint families moved to the area from Utah, helping to establish the foundation of a strong, family-oriented

community.

Carmen Shumway, a volunteer with the Taylor Heritage Foundation, says, rather than the family settlements being spread apart on different ranches in the area, “When they divided up this little area, families had room for a garden area, barn, corral and home and the ranches were secondary.”

In addition, blacksmiths, midwives, and all the artisans a community needed to function, were called or volunteered to move to Arizona. Carmen says, “They had everything they needed to form a good community—like a planned community—and they had a nucleus who participated in Church services, school and the cultural aspects of the community.”

Snowflake was settled just a few months after Taylor, when in July 1878, William Jordan Flake purchased the Rancho de la Plata, the site of present-day Snowflake. He and his family had come to Arizona, but found that the land they liked, around Silver Creek, was already occupied. After much hardship, including several failed attempts to establish settlements along the Little Colorado River and the death of his young son, William

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Flake found a prime site, owned by James Stinson, and negotiated to buy it for \$1100 in Utah-grade cattle (all Arizona cattle were of Mexican breed). On July 21, 1878, William J. Flake led five families, their wagons and livestock into this valley. His wife, Lucy, described the scene as "a beautiful place" with "clear water" and "hills covered with green grass."

Later that year, in September 1878, Brother Flake and other family members set out by wagon for Utah, where they planned to sell wool and purchase cattle. Near what is now Winslow, they crossed paths with the Erastus Snow, the Church leader assigned to oversee colonization efforts in Arizona.

After hearing Brother Flake's accounting of their failed attempts and their decision to settle along the Silver Creek, Elder Snow praised William for his efforts. It was decided that the area would be Snow-Flake, for Elder Snow and William Flake.

Following their meeting, Snow and his traveling companions, Ira Hinckley and Jesse N. Smith, visited Flake's ranch and helped survey and lay out the townsite. Later, Jesse N. Smith was called to move his family to Snowflake, where he served for many years as a Church and community leader.

A monument depicting the trail-

side meeting and honoring the pioneers who settled Snowflake now stands in the center of the town. The monument was dedicated on July 21, 2000, by James E. Faust, of the Quorum of the Twelve.

As more pioneers arrived in the White Mountain area, the emphasis on industry, education and family traditions was readily apparent, as schools were established, irrigation systems built and homes and community buildings were erected. Across Snowflake and Taylor, cattle ranches, horse farms, hayfields and sweet corn fields dotted the landscape and provided for the families living there.

"It was a rough life, but it was the life they knew, and they made the best of it," said Louise Levine, a great-granddaughter of William Jordan Flake, quoted in an Arizona Republic article from Aug. 25, 2011.

The article added, "The hardships were unimaginable to us now," said Nerita Flake, whose husband is the great-

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Carmen Shumway, a volunteer with the Taylor Historical Society, shows the Centennial Quilt, one of the interesting pieces on display at the Taylor museum. The quilt was created in 1987 for the Taylor's Centennial is a hand-pieced, hand-stitched cotton quilt comprised of blocks individually made by most of the residents of Taylor.

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grandson of Flake.

Lois Waterman, whose great-grandfather John Hunt was the first bishop of Snowflake, was quoted as saying, "One thing that I think a lot of people don't understand is that they think of these rugged individualists - hardy frontier folk. And they were really mostly pretty sophisticated people from the East Coast."

Indeed, the Saints in the area were subject to the challenges and hardships of establishing a new community, including a great deal of anti-Mormon sentiment as well as persecution over the polygamous lifestyle some of the early Saints lived.

Today, the pioneer tradition lives on in Snowflake-Taylor and the surrounding communities. They share the traditions with their museums, with fascinating stories told during tours of the historic homes of some of the original 1880s settlers; and with community celebrations. Among those is Taylor's "Firing of the Anvil" every 4th of July, followed by patriotic music, accompanied by the cowhide,

birch and hickory "Jennings drum" that was used in the Nauvoo Legion Band. Taylor's annual 4th of July celebration includes a rodeo, one of the largest in Arizona; and Snowflake's rodeo is held in conjunction with the 24th of July Pioneer Day celebration.

In September, Taylor hosts a Sweet Corn Festival and in October is Snowflake's Harvest Festival.

Yet, even while holding to the strong pioneer traditions, Saints in the area also appreciate the growth and feel the spirit of progress. The comple-

tion of the Snowflake Temple was one such milestone for many of those who are working to build the kingdom and serve in the Church there. President Gordon B. Hinckley dedicated the Snowflake Temple, Arizona's second, on March 3, 2002.

Taylor Stake President Mitch Farr, who was born and raised in Snowflake, says, "There are so many stalwart people here from early pioneer stock. They are good, hard-working, God-fearing people. It's a seedbed of service, for sure."

He adds, "It's so special for us now that we have a temple here. That is huge for us."

"With the temple here now, we have a place of refuge," says Snowflake Stake President Ron Smith.

He says, "I love the heritage from the pioneer families and I love the new families as well. There are just some really good, kind people in this area and we welcome all who come to visit or to stay."

For more information about the Snowflake Temple, visit <http://www.lds.org/church/temples>. For details about the area or upcoming events, visit www.snowflaketaylorchamber.org



Photo by Cecily Markland

The James M. Flake home is one of several in Snowflake and Taylor that are on the National Registry of Historic Homes and that are open to tours. The James M. Flake Home, which was influenced by the architecture of homes he'd seen in England, was finished in 1895.

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Constitution WEEK

Celebration Offers Family Fun, Entertainment and Education

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

Carrying on a tradition that began more than a decade ago, Gilbert's Constitution Week celebration will again offer entertainment, activities, fun and education for the entire family.

This year, the activities will include a Friday night 5K, 10K and family fun run and will feature Alex Boye' in concert, followed by a spectacular fireworks display.

A member and soloist of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, Alex Boye has been entertaining audiences worldwide

for over 15 years. His new patriotic album, "Calling America," will be released June 5.

The Gilbert Constitution Week celebration began in 2002, when John Lewis, then president of the Gilbert Arizona Stake, first came up with the idea. In the wake of the attacks of September 11, 2001, he wanted to bring members of the stake together and to reach out to members of other faiths as well, with a way to celebrate the

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Photo courtesy of Constitution Week USA

As part of the fun, education and top entertainment of the Gilbert Constitution Week celebration, replicas of several historic buildings enhance the venue and volunteers like Carrie Robinson, of Tempe, (shown here with her daughter) dress in period costume.



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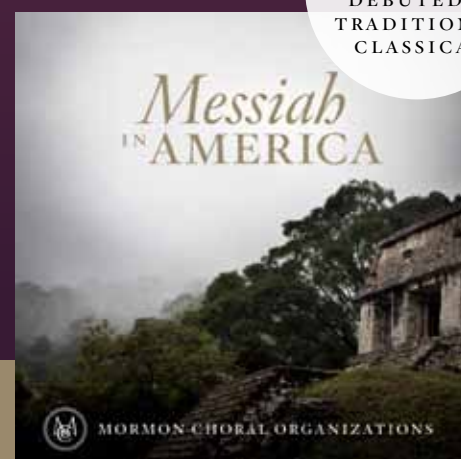
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He gave stake members, Bill Norton and Barb Stowell, the task of heading up the committee. Recognizing that in February 1952, the U.S. Congress had designated September 17 as "Citizenship Day," and, in 1956, September 17 through 23 was named "Constitution Week," the committee selected a September date for a Constitution Week Fair.

Now, 11 years later, Brother Norton and Sister Stowell still head up the annual event, which has grown every year with new activities added and with more people attending the September event every year.

"Thanks to the many citizens of

there will be school visits by individuals dressed in period costume, depicting the Founding Fathers and other historical figures. Those figures will appear at the Constitution Fair, and there will be replicas of the White House, Capital, Supreme Court Building, Washington Monument and Independence Hall. Students in grades 4-12 will participate in art and essay contests, and there will be an adult fine art competition as well, with both the

students' and adult entries displayed at the Fair.

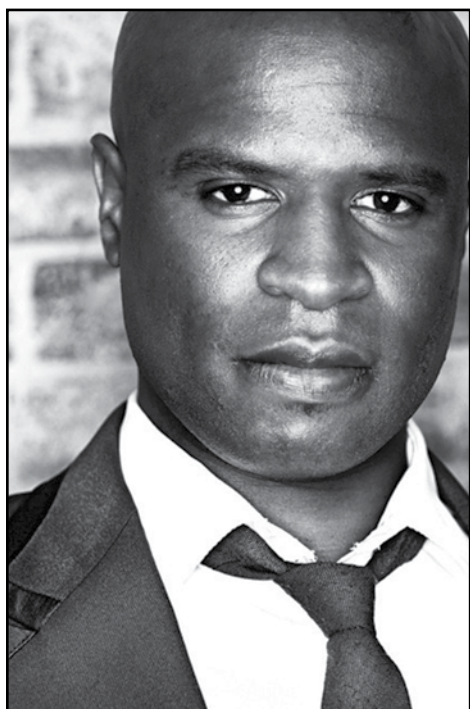
"Paul Revere's Nighttime Run," a 5K, 10K and Fun Run, will be at 8 p.m. Friday, September 21 at Freestone Park. (Register at constitution-weekusa.com.)

The Making of America Seminars, "Developing America's Great Success Formula" and "The Perfect Plan of Liberty," will be presented at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, September 22 at the Gilbert

Town Hall.

Saturday evening the concert and fireworks start at 6 p.m. at the Gilbert Civic Plaza/Town Square, 50 E. Civic Center Drive. Gates open at 5:30, and attendees are asked for a suggested donation of \$5/person or \$15/family.

For more information, to get involved, or for patriotic activities to do with your family, visit www.constitutionweekusa.com



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The Gilbert Constitution Week celebration will feature a Saturday-night concert by headliner Alex Boye, who has sold more than half a million CDs and whose two solo songs were featured on the new Mormon Tabernacle Choir CD "Come Thou Fount," which reached #1 in the Billboard Classical Charts.

Gilbert and generous sponsors, Constitution Week has now become the largest celebration of the US Constitution in America," the event website states.

"It's been fabulous, wonderful how it's grown," says Sister Stowell, adding that the event's success is due in large part to the many volunteers.

"There are so many others who help. We have elementary school groups, Elders Quorums, Primary kids and families—about 200 to 300 volunteers every year," she says.

She explains that the event offers fun and educational aspects for the entire family.

As part of the celebration, more than 1,000 Boy Scouts will work on merit badges at clinics on September 19 and 26 at Mesquite Junior High. (Register boys online at constitution-weekusa.com.)

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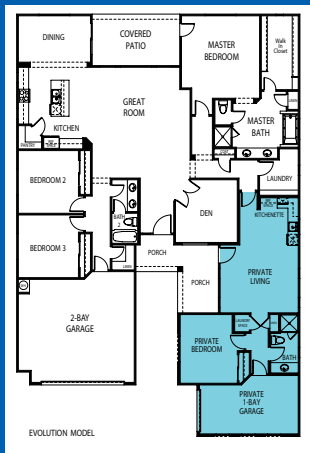
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Time to Blossom

Service Project Has International Impact



Photo courtesy Carla Jorgensen/Time to Blossom

Participants at this year's Time to Blossom young women's conference held in Gilbert, fill more than 450 pouches with hygiene products, which were meant for missionaries in Brazil, but ended up benefiting missionaries as well as individuals who had been displaced by the recent flooding in Brazil.

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

This summer, the timing was nearly perfect as 228 girls participated in the third annual Time to Blossom young women's conference.

Even while learning about listening to the spirit and "blossoming" to become their best selves—the girls were already putting those ideas into practice—and the results would have a dramatic effect.

At the weeklong conference, girls, ages 11 to 16, learned from top speakers and entertainers—like former Young Women General President Ardeeth Kapp, Hank Smith, Vivian Cline and singer Alex Boye. They enjoyed fashion shows, a comedy night and spent time in introspection—all part of the fun and growth experiences.

Then came the service project.

"How quickly things can change from something good to something great," says Carrie Mannes.

At the conference, organized by founders Debbie Forrest and Carla Jorgensen, Carrie and other service project committee members—Sherry Pierce, Jan Harrison and Francene Waring—designed a project to benefit missionaries in the Manaus Brazil Mission

Young women donated neckties, which they brought to the conference. Then, while there, the girls filled small pastel pouches with hand sanitizer, Kleenex, lotion, chapstick and floss. With the help of Keyra Waring, a returned missionary from Brazil, they wrote notes in Portuguese, expressing appreciation and support.

"Our committee struggled to find something the girls could make and include with the pouches that would give each recipient something personal," Carrie says. "We decided to teach the girls to make pastel flowers cut from tulle. These flowers could be easily removed from the pouch so they could be worn in the hair or on a hat, a shirt or belt."

"Two people from Mesa, Richard Wilson and Becky Butler, served in Manaus in the late 1990s. They both were planning to fly to Manaus with their families to participate in the dedication of the new Manaus Temple," Carrie explains.

With plans in place, there was no way to plan for what was happening in Brazil.

"Unfortunately, in late May and

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Blake's Miracle Foundation



supports pediatric pain management programs

By Stacy Johnson
The Beehive

Blake Whitehead, son of Kelle and Brandon Whitehead of Mesa, was 21 months old when, on Christmas day 2005, he was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. He fought valiantly for almost three months before passing away March 8, 2006. During his fight, Blake lost his ability to walk, sit up, eat and talk. Comfort came in the form of music therapy.

Blake's grandmother, Lana White-

head, of the Keating Ward, Mesa West Stake, says, "We introduced the Primary songs to the music therapist who played them for Blake. It was obvious that Blake loved hearing songs of the Savior. Even now, those songs hold more meaning for me when I hear them."

While Blake benefited from narcotic-type medications, his family learned that "pediatric pain continues to be the most under treated pain in our nation."

They felt a need to help.

Shortly after Blake's death, Lana and other family members started Blake's Miracle Foundation to raise money for alternative pain management for children.

Lana enlisted the help of young people and their families at her swim school, SWIMKids USA. Many of them had known her grandson, Blake, who had spent much of his life at the family-owned business.

On April 8, 2006, the first SWIM-KID-A-THON was held. Swimmers of all ages and abilities gathered pledges based on number of minutes spent floating or laps they swam. Some of the youngest swimmers, ages 18 months to two years, floated up to 46 minutes, while some of the 8- to 11-year-olds, swam 350 lengths of the pool. That event raised \$22,000, which was presented to Cardon Children's Medical Center.

Since that first event, Blake's Miracle Foundation has raised more than \$210,000, most of it by children. The SWIMKID-A-THON has expanded to include a bounce house, cake walk, silent auction and more.

Lana says the idea of children helping other children was "just a natural fit. They naturally love to help others and their parents latched on to that excitement from the kids immediately."

While new people get involved each year, many are regular supporters, who have participated in the event from the beginning. In addition to fundraising efforts, Blake's Miracle accepts new toys

that are then donated to the hospital.

According to Cardon Children's Medical Center, pain management doesn't have to be limited to drugs. Alternative therapies include music, massage, hypnotherapy, guided imagery and hypnosis, as they strive to use the patients' own strengths and coping skills to help manage their pain.

Blake's Miracle is working with Banner Health Foundation to support programs that increase healing time, reduce anxiety, and decrease chronic and post-operative pain for hospitalized and terminally ill children.

The organization also supports Safer 3, drowning prevention programs. "Drowning is almost a weekly occurrence and parents need to be educated on how to prevent such a tragedy," the website states.

With its efforts, Blake's Miracle Foundation is fulfilling a promise made by Blake's mother, "to never forget that sweet smile, those contagious giggles and the many people [Blake has] touched."

To learn how you can help or to donate, visit www.blakesmiracle.org or call 480.820.9109.



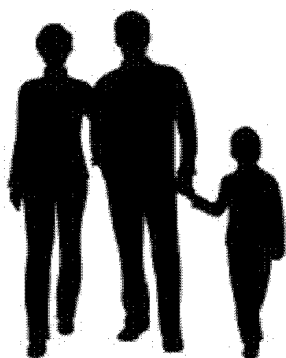
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Blake's Miracle Foundation was organized in memory of two-year-old Blake Whitehead, who died of leukemia in 2006. The foundation helps increase awareness and raise funds for alternative pain management for children.

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Walter & Olive Evans Celebrate **75** YEARS of Marriage

By Stephanie Abney
The Beehive

On May 14, 1937, Walter Evans and Olive Larson were sealed in the Mesa Arizona Temple. Seventy-five years later, they are still going strong. The native Arizonians are members of the Lyn Rae Ward, Mesa Arizona Kimball Stake, where

they still live in and run their own home. Walter was born in Tucson and moved to Mesa with his family as a teenager. Olive was born in Pima and raised in Mesa.

The Evans' seven children have given them 44 grandchildren and 134



Photo by Ted Stallings

Native Arizonians, Walter and Olive Larson, who were sealed in Mesa Arizona Temple May 14, 1937, recently celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary.

great-grandchildren with a couple of great-great-grandchildren on the way. The close-knit family enjoys many gatherings as all live nearby except

for one son. Brother and Sister Evans celebrated their 75th anniversary sur-

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early June, record flooding occurred which displaced many, many of Brazil's poorest people from their homes," Carrie explains. "In many places the flood waters had risen 70 feet and in certain spots, 90 feet."

Carrie continues, "These people are very poor. The homes are ply boards nailed together and elevated on stilts to accommodate the flooding season. There is no running water, electricity or any conveniences."

Here, the Lord intervened and engineered "an alternate plan," Carrie says.

The Mission President Herberto Moroni Klein and his wife, Anna Lucia

Da Silvia Klein, shared the ties with their missionaries and with men who had been displaced by the flooding. The 450+ pouches with hygiene items were also shared with people in the area, the ones with flowers going to homeless sisters and their families.

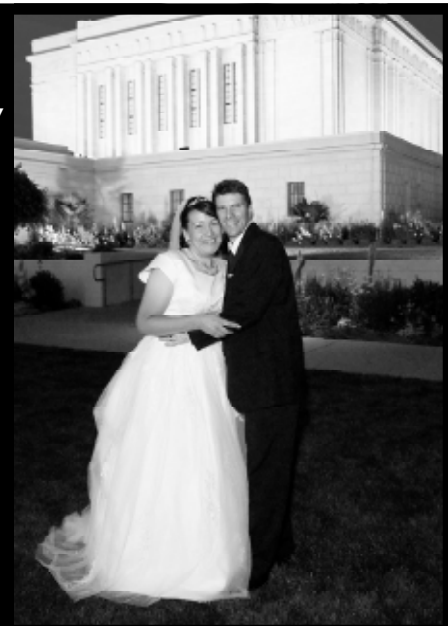
Becky Butler says the items helped the people understand "they were cared about during this very difficult time."

"To me," Carrie says, "it is no coincidence they arrived by plane when, where and how they did. Sometimes it really is little things that make a big difference."

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lives of family and friends. They began their life together in Bisbee, Arizona, where Brother Evans worked in the mines for 27 cents an hour. He quickly worked his way up, learned how to weld and, after the War, bought a blacksmith shop in Mesa that he turned into "Evans Steel Fabrication." The family-run business grew until it required 26 acres in Gilbert.

Brother Evans is a talented woodworker and enjoys spending time in his workshop in their backyard. He has made tables, porch swings and

Evans was a stay-at-home mother who taught her children gospel principles. She cared for the home and sewed most of her children's clothes.

One of their daughters, Donna Stallings, recalls how her parents taught them the value of hard work and a job well-done. Her husband, Ted, says, "If anyone is going to get into the Celestial Kingdom, it would be Walter and Olive."

Service seems to come naturally to Brother and Sister Evans. Between the two of them, they served more than

10 years as temple ordinance workers. Both of them spent four years doing name extraction. Walter has been a counselor in the bishopric and High Priest Group Leader, among numerous other callings. He also served several stake missions. Olive has been Stake Relief Society and Primary president as well as having had many callings as a teacher and as president in all the auxiliaries in which sisters serve.

In 1988, Brother and Sister Evans served an 18-month mission to Nauvoo, Illinois. While they were gone, their children oversaw the building of the home where they now

Barbara Abney, of the Elmwood Ward, Mesa Arizona Central Stake, feels privileged to know the Evans. She worked alongside the couple in the Mesa Arizona Temple and says, "They are so happy and loving, such vibrant people. Olive always gives me the biggest squeeze whenever she sees me."

Their son, Bruce, of Gilbert, says, "We children were blessed to have them as our parents. They were pretty much perfect parents who loved their family and the Church. How could anyone do any better than that?"

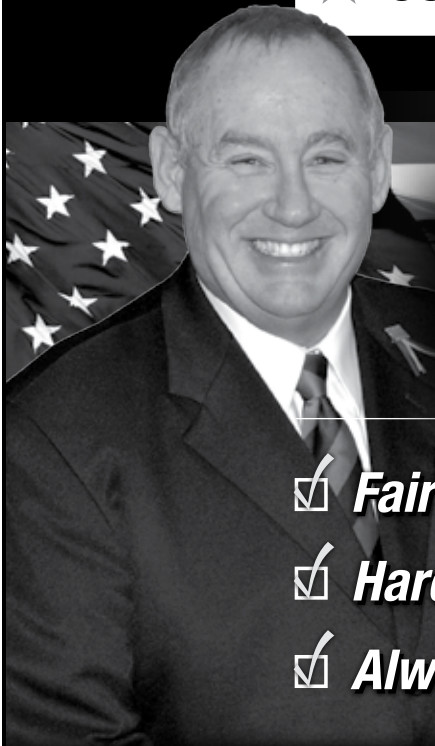
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Eighty-eight-year-old, Helen Schlie in her Old and Rare Bookstore in Mesa, holding her 1830 copy of the Book of Mormon. The book claimed national news attention when it was stolen from her store in May and made headlines again two weeks later, when it was recovered and an arrest made in the Washington, DC, area.

STOLEN

first edition copy of the Book of Mormon

RECOVERED

in Washington, DC area

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

A first edition copy of the Book of Mormon, owned by Helen Schlie, 88, of the Udall Ward in the Mesa Stake, recently made national news as it completed another chapter in its long and interesting story.

While the pages themselves contain the familiar history of the ancient inhabitants of the American continent, what has happened to this particular book—and the good it has

done—is a tale all its own.

The volume of scripture, one of only 5,000 copies of the Book of Mormon printed in 1830, made headlines when it was stolen May 28 from Sister Schlie's Old and Rare Bookstore on the corner of Mesa Drive and First Avenue.

The book had come into Helen's hands more than 40 years ago. Helen

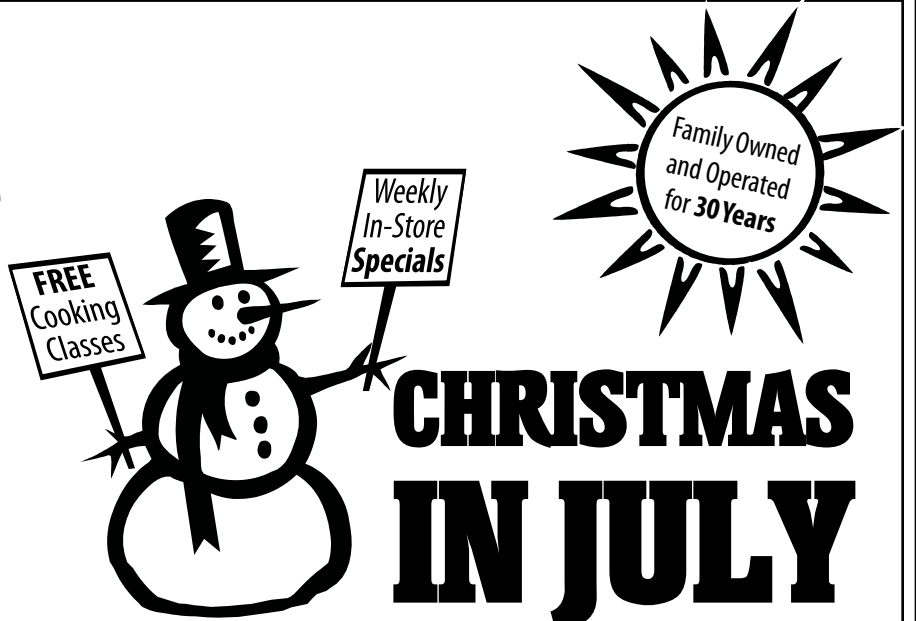
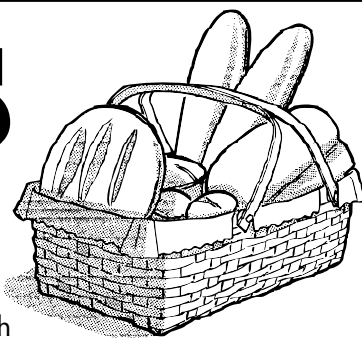
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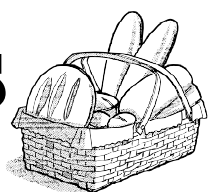
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joined the Church in 1961 in the Detroit Stake. In 1965, she and her husband, Walt, moved to Arizona and opened the Temple View Bookstore, where Seagull Books now stands in Mesa.

Walt joined the Church in 1967 and, shortly thereafter, “a man came into the bookstore one day with an original copy of the Book of Mormon that he wanted to sell. He needed the money,” Helen says.

Walt bought it, at some sacrifice... and it’s been part of Helen’s life ever since.

From that day, the Schlies never locked it up, never hid it away. They shared it with anyone and everyone who came into the store.

“Leaders would bring their youth groups, parents would bring their families, to touch the book and feel the spirit of it, and have their pictures taken with it,” Helen says.

After they closed the bookstore in 1990, and after Walt passed away, Helen continued to share the book at her home, at fireside presentations, and, on several occasions, even took it to Utah and showed it to people on Temple Square.

As the book became worn and be-

gan to deteriorate, Helen consulted with experts and determined the best way to continue the book’s journey was to sell individual pages, mounted in museum-quality, double-faced frames, and use the money to support missionary efforts.

“That started a whole new missionary career that will touch thousands of lives and go through generations of time,” says Sister Schlie.

The book and Helen’s many efforts to promote missionary work received world-wide attention in May, when it was taken from the used bookstore at 121 S. Mesa Drive, which Helen opened two years ago, at 87.

TV and newspaper reporters again interviewed Sister Schlie two weeks

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later, after the book. Jay Linford, of Palmyra, New York, Helen’s friend and publisher of her book of poetry, was arrested June 12, in Herndon, Virginia, on suspicion of theft and trafficking in stolen property. In the investigation and recovery of the book, Mesa police were assisted by the FBI’s Art Crime Unit, the U.S. Marshals Service, the Maricopa County Attorney’s Office and numerous other law enforcement agencies.

“Sad,” Sister Schlie says. “I’m still shocked. I

didn’t want to hear that.”

Linford had been inside Helen’s store the day before the book was discovered missing, but she didn’t want to believe he would steal it.

“He has always been so good to me. Anything I wanted done, Jay would do it for me,” Helen says, adding, “I have deep compassion for him and the pressure he must have been under. People in desperate circumstances don’t think rationally.”

Investigators learned Linford contacted a book dealer in the Dallas area, and ultimately sold him two pages for \$7,500, police said. After authorities executed a search warrant, the book was recovered inside an apartment in Herndon, a Washington, D.C., suburb. At the time of this writing, Linford, was being held in the Fairfax County Detention Facility on a \$40,000 cash bond while awaiting extradition to Arizona and Helen was awaiting return of her volume of scripture.

“Apparently the book still has a history to live,” she says.

She believes the whole incident and the publicity it has received may be key in finally being able to start the ice cream business she has envisioned for years as a way to further missionary work and help those who want to serve missions.

“I think we can do a lot of good with it yet,” she says.

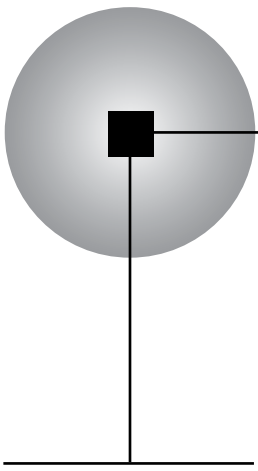
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lary words and the definition, explanation and illustration of why Heavenly Father created each, from a physical and spiritual viewpoint."

"Students graduate having read the entire Book of Mormon 40 to 50 times," he adds.

Independent research backs up what they have proven at Kimber Academy. There, students are tested in 22 academic areas every 90 days, and "We have been able to demonstrate when you add religion, morality and patriotism into every subject—and teach under the direction of the parents—the average student moves three times faster than in other school systems."

Dr. Kimber continues, "All education is under the direction of the parents. Parents know what their child needs, so we look to parents to guide

the entire educational process."

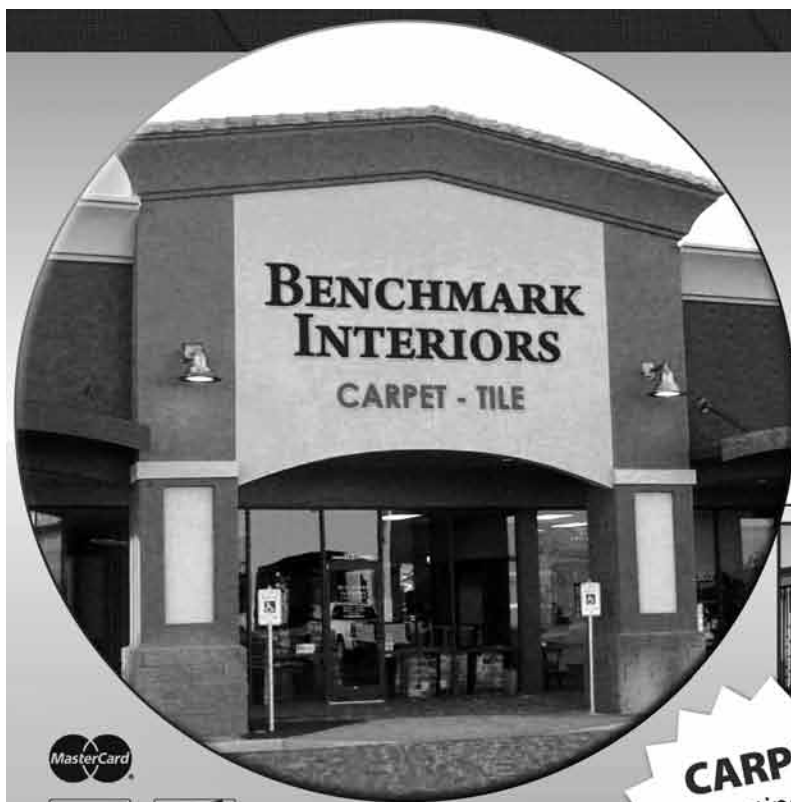
With schools already operating in Washington state and Utah, Dr. Kimber says he is excited to have Arizona among several new locations opening soon.

"In Arizona, we will be working with Nancy Genys, who will be the administrator for the Academy. Nancy runs a successful performing arts program and has for a number of years, there in Gilbert."

Nancy, of the Pioneer Ward, Highland West Stake, and owner of Talent Team, says she was drawn to the Kimber Academy for a number of reasons.

"I had been researching curriculums for ages, trying to find the best for my kids. I didn't know anything about Dr. Kimber or even that such

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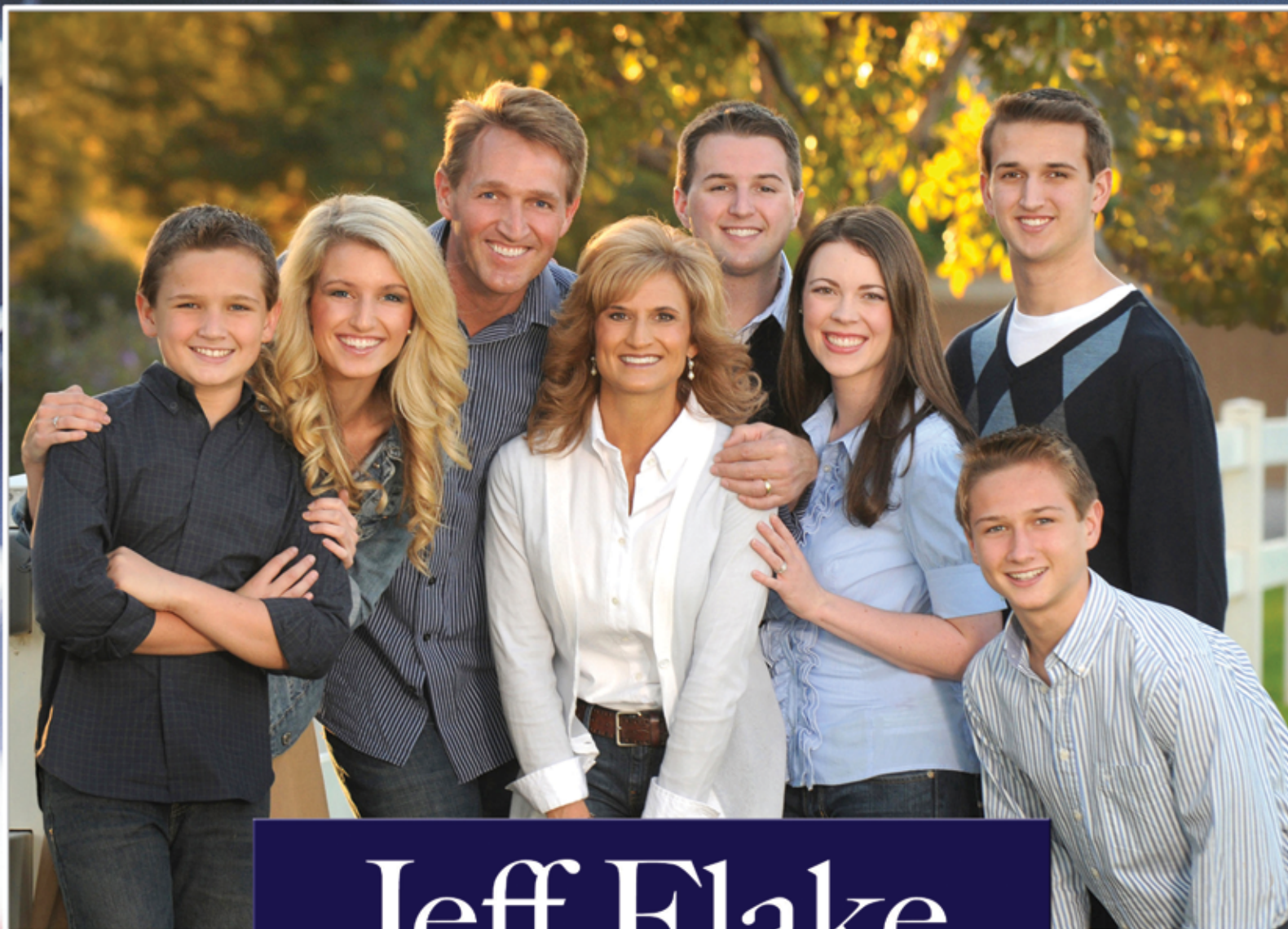
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ANGEL MORONI INSTALLED ATOP OF THE GILBERT TEMPLE SPIRE

On May 15, the 400-pound statue of the Angel Moroni was raised by a crane to be placed on the top of the spire, marking the completion of another step in the construction of the Gilbert Arizona Temple.

By Cindy R. Williams
The Beehive

On Tuesday, May 15, the under-construction Gilbert Arizona Temple, already the highest building in Gilbert, increased by another 13 feet, with the placement of the Angel Moroni statue on the spire.

President David Layton, of the Gilbert Greenfield Stake, says the exact time the statue would be placed wasn't publicized.

However, there was speculation

"on Facebook and all around," President Layton says. "Everyone thought it was going up on Monday, since it was sitting on a crane. But, the next day, it seemed the people knew, as 4,000 to 5,000 strong witnessed as Moroni was placed. In our hearts we know Moroni represents the restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to us."

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Angel Moroni
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Lacee Jenkins, daughter of Chet and Janette Jenkins of the Fairview Ward, Higley Stake, was checked out of elementary school by her mother to watch with her family. She says, "It was really exciting. Angel Moroni turned slowly on the crane as it was lifted high in the air."

High school student, Keri Cordner, daughter of Tim and Kelly Cordner of the Vintage Ranch Ward, Gilbert Greenfield Stake, received a picture on her cellphone within 20 minutes of when the Angel Moroni was placed on the spire. She says, "I thought it was really cool. It makes it seem like it's finally our temple."

Jeff Williams, of the Catalina Ward, Gilbert Greenfield Stake, says, "It made quite an impact, even with non-members." Brother Williams received an email from a nonmember client by the next evening with a YouTube video of the placing of the statue set to music.

"A steady stream of cars pulled in and out of the Gilbert Temple driveway after dark that evening. One family had a powerful spotlight and shined it on the Angel for others, including my family," says Brother Williams.

Jim Tehero, assigned to the visitors' area of the temple construction site, says, "On Tuesday afternoon, as Angel Moroni was starting to be raised up, the Spirit was strong. We stood on holy ground that had been dedicated at the groundbreaking ceremony."

The 400-pound Angel Moroni statue is made of fiberglass and covered with gold leaf. It was made in Salt Lake City by Bruce Wallgren and was

shipped to Gilbert in bubble wrap. As the statue was raised by crane, Brother Wallgren was lifted in a basket by a second crane. He helped guide the statue and secure it in place as the cheering crowds watched below.

The Gilbert Temple is one of five Arizona temples, along with the temples in Mesa, the Gila Valley and Snowflake and Phoenix Temple, which is still under construction.

The Gilbert Temple consists of five stories, including a subbasement for mechanical equipment and basement that will house the baptistery. The first floor consists of the entry, dressing rooms and administrative offices, the second has the chapel and endowment rooms, and the third has seven sealing rooms, waiting rooms and a child care center.

The exterior of the building is pre-cast concrete and stone with crafted glass windows. There are plans for a large meetinghouse to share the 658-car parking lot.

The Gilbert Temple is 83,000 square feet on 15.38 acres and is roughly a third smaller than the Mesa Temple's 113,916 feet. It is planned to be completed in 2013.

The temple in Gilbert is located on the southeast corner of Greenfield and Pecos roads. Visiting hours to the Gilbert Arizona Temple visitors' trailer and viewing deck are Monday and Wednesday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m. For more information on the Gilbert Temple see: <http://www.ldschurchtemples.com/gilbert>

Glenn Kimber Academy
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a school existed until, one morning, a voice told me to check out Kimber Academy. I went upstairs, googled it, watched the video on their website and started crying. It was everything I had hoped to have for my kids and I knew I had to help bring it to Arizona."

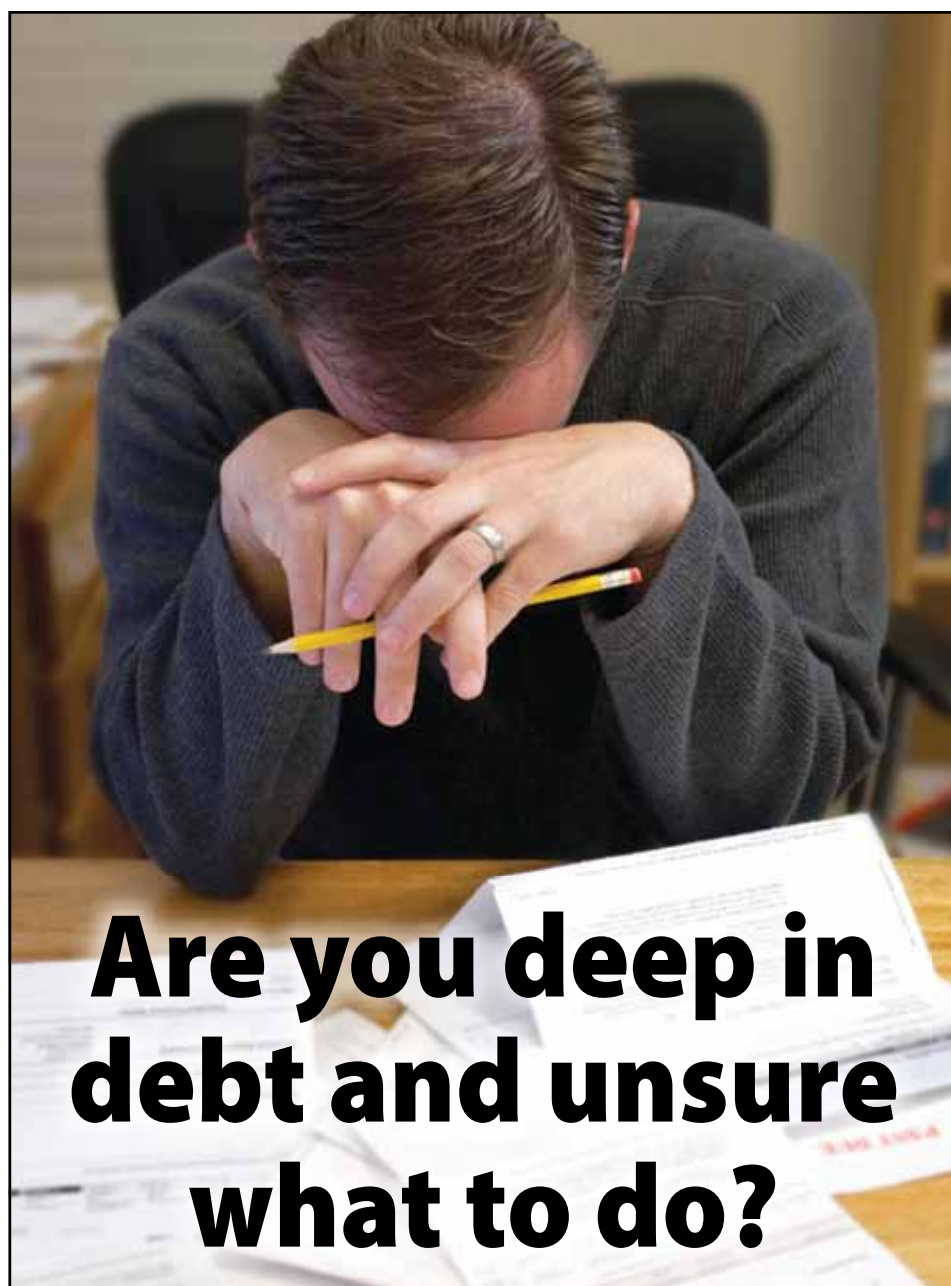
Nancy was impressed that they have "the highest academic standard in the nation." In addition, "Students develop a love of learning and are able to be self-governing. Children learn how to understand the spirit—what it feels like, and why they should act upon its guidance."

Another difference has to do with government control. When all but two

states took the bailout money, they turned "all power of curriculum choice to the federal government," Nancy says, which means all schools (from charter to public) will, in the near future, have to implement things the federal government wants, including "teaching about all sexual deviations (from 2nd grade), more and more socialism and less parental control."

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Shane Krauser, adjunct professor of constitutional law, director of the American Academy for Constitutional Education, and a member of the Chandler East Stake, teaches workshops to help participants understand and more effectively defend the Constitution, which he says is the answer for what ails our nation.

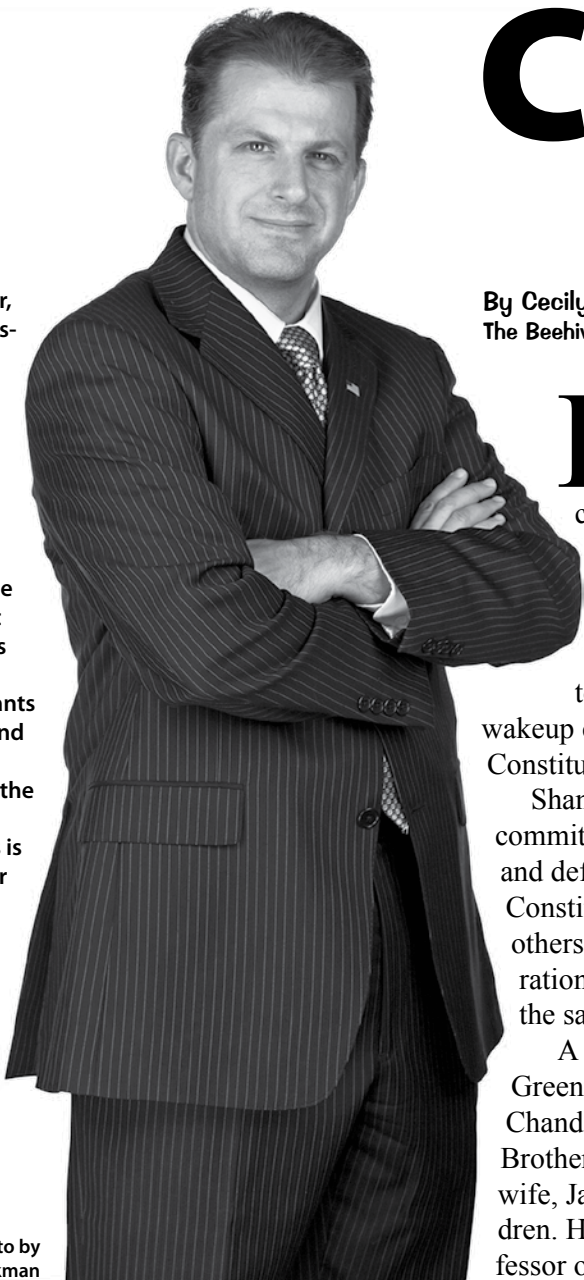


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By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

He steps out of the courtroom and into the classroom, in front of a community group or on his radio show—all part of his efforts to issue a major wakeup call—about the Constitution.

Shane Krauser, JD, is committed to upholding and defending the U.S. Constitution and to giving others the motivation, rationale and tools to do the same.

A member of the Greenfield First Ward, Chandler East Stake, Brother Krauser and his wife, Janelle, have six children. He is an adjunct professor of constitutional law

and a practicing attorney. He is also the director of the American Academy for Constitutional Education (AAFCE) and the author of *Your Nation to Save: A Line-By-Line Explanation of the US Constitution*.

He believes the Constitution is the answer to what ails us as a nation.

"America must rise up and again recognize that freedom is worth fighting for and it is ours to keep only if we are willing to engage in the struggle to protect it," he writes. "The US Constitution...now needs defending, as freedom is threatened by apathy, disregard and the rampant abuse of power."

For Latter-day Saints, this is a sacred charge.

"We know from the Doctrine and Covenants that the Constitution is an inspired document. As members of the Church, we revere the Constitution," Brother Krauser notes. However, he says, "If we don't really understand it, we can't sit down and defend it and

talk intelligently about it."

Shane's presentations at patriotic rallies, corporate and political conventions and to community groups, while highly intense and energetic, are also interactive, and he has been praised as "the best instructor of the Constitution in the country."

"I spoke to a group about the Constitution on December 15, 2009, and it has spread from there," he says. "I have not had one solicited event since then, yet I speak four to five nights a week on the Constitution."

Rather than lecture his audience, "I get people involved, make them articulate what they believe," Brother Krauser says. "People leave empowered, with the ability and understanding to do something about what is happening."

"It is fun to see people—especially members of the Church—recognize

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Betsy Love, a Gilbert mother of eight, recently had her second novel published by Walnut Springs Press.

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Betsy Love, a Gilbert, Arizona mother and grandmother, publishes second novel titled **SOULFIRE**

By Cindy R. Williams
The Beehive

Betsy Love, a Gilbert mother of eight and grandmother of 14, has published her second novel, this one set in Book of Mormon times.

Titled *Soulfire*, the book "is about a young woman living during the time of Abinadi, who must stand for truth and righteousness at all times and in all things and in all places," Betsy says. "I have always loved the story of Abinadi and Alma the Elder. I've also wondered about the kind of young woman the Lord was prepar-

ing to be Alma's wife. *Soulfire* is how I picture the story unfolding for the people who lived during the reign of King Noah."

Sister Love's first book, *Identity*, is a story about family unity and conversion.

"*Identity* was inspired by a story my mother began reading to me when I was a young girl," the author says. "She never finished the story and took it back to the library. I have searched for years to find that story. One eve-

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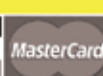
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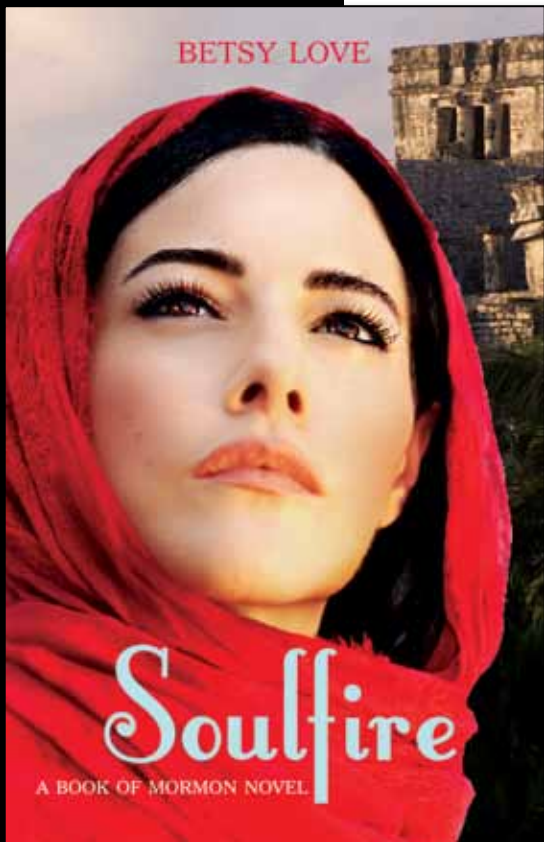
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Soulfire, the second published novel by Betsy Love, of Gilbert, is a story of adventure and romance set in Book of Mormon times.

ning I was telling Sarah, my 10-year-old daughter, about how I would never know the end of the story. She said, 'So write your own ending.'"

Sister Love says writing takes inspiration and says there are many who inspire her. "My mother always encouraged me, and, of course, thought everything I wrote was pure genius. My husband is my greatest fan and will often come home and say, 'Read me what you've written today.' He has incredible insight into what I'm trying to say

and where I need to go in my writing. Oftentimes I will brainstorm with him because he is a brilliant plot-master."

Even with the encouragement, Betsy says, "I have to say that many times the inspiration does not come until I sit down and start pouring my soul out on paper. Some days the words simply

aren't there and I have to push through and sometime begin again, and again."

"My writing has evolved over my lifetime," she continues. "It's not only a gift, but a talent that I've had to work at. I feel a great responsibility to share my gift."

Sister Love, of the Gilbert Greenfield Stake, says, "I know the Lord has given me this gift of words to be a blessing in the lives of others. I hope that people will read my stories and have a greater desire to live their lives so that they, too, will find that love and peace our Savior has for each of His children."

Betsy is a member and current chapter president of a writing group for LDS women, called American Night Writers Association (ANWA).

"ANWA is an incredible organization which has really helped me to develop my craft. It doesn't matter what genre you write in or what your skill level is. ANWA is a great place to be nurtured in your writing journey."

Soulfire and *Identity* are available at Latter-day Cottage (Mesa and Tucson), Deseret Book Stores (nationwide), Bookworms (Thatcher) and on deseretbook.com and amazon.com. For more information about Betsy Love visit <http://betsylove.com>.

that this is a document that is a privilege to defend, that we have an obligation to step up and defend something we hold sacred."

Brother Krauser says his love for the Constitution began as a child.

"Mom and dad were extremely patriotic. They bled red, white and blue," he laughs and explains, "My mother's family moved to the United States from Switzerland when she was nine years old. They left everything they had, except what would fit in one suitcase."

He says his ancestors were attracted by the opportunity to have freedom of religion, and they relished in the spirit of America.

Through the work of the AAFCE, Brother Krauser offers an opportunity to learn about the Constitution and the principles of freedom. He says, "Focusing on the original intent of the Constitution, as well as the forces that have shaped its interpretation throughout history, the AAFCE gives citizens the tools they need to understand and influence today's social and political issues."

For more about AAFCE, or to order Shane Krauser's book, *Your Nation to Save*, visit www.aafce.com. To hear his radio program, tune in to KKNT 960AM Saturdays from 5 to 6 p.m.



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“It’s True” Shares the Conversion Story of an Evangelical Pastor

By Cindy R. Williams
The Beehive

After 27 years as an evangelical pastor, Tom Scott, shown here with his wife, Maggie, joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He shares his experience of learning the truth about the LDS people in a recently released book called, “It’s True.”

Photo by David Cox

For more than 27 years, Tom Scott was an evangelical pastor, and he believed—and taught—that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was a cult, far from believers in Christ. “How great is the deception the enemy has spun to blind the eyes of humanity,” says Tom, now a member of the LDS Church in the Northridge Stake in Provo, Utah.

Hoping to set the record straight and proclaim what he and his wife, Maggie, came to know about the LDS Church, Tom wrote a book, recently published by Arizona-based Inglestone Publishing, titled: *It’s True: An Evangelical Pastor’s Journey to Truth in the Mormon Church*.

“Instead of the Book of Mormon being the fake book that I was always told it was, I began to notice

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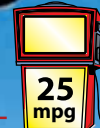
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"It's True"
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that all it did was to confirm the work of Christ and reinforce what I already believed from the Bible," Tom says.

Of the LDS people, he says, "Get to know them. You'll be overwhelmed by the love of people that exemplify the love of Christ in a way you can't even imagine. That's what drew us to the Latter-day Saints Church."

Before joining the Church, Tom learned more about its history. "I had no idea of the sacrifice that so many had gone through," he says. "The Church has been persecuted since its inception, with their people hunted down and massacred—and all for simply following after God."

Both Scott says, "Many share the scripture 'And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free.' However, through this process, I've learned it's only the truth that you KNOW that can set you free, and you must be willing to KNOW that truth for this to happen!"

The month before the Scotts baptism, three hospital trips were necessary and they faced great financial difficulties. "From the

time of our decision to follow the leading of the Spirit until the time of our baptism, spiritual warfare was intense," Tom says.

"Through this time of trial, once again, the realization of knowing we were in the center of the Father's will for our lives was of utmost importance. No matter what the adversary threw our way, we were able to stand, knowing we were exactly where we were supposed to be, doing exactly what we were supposed to be doing."

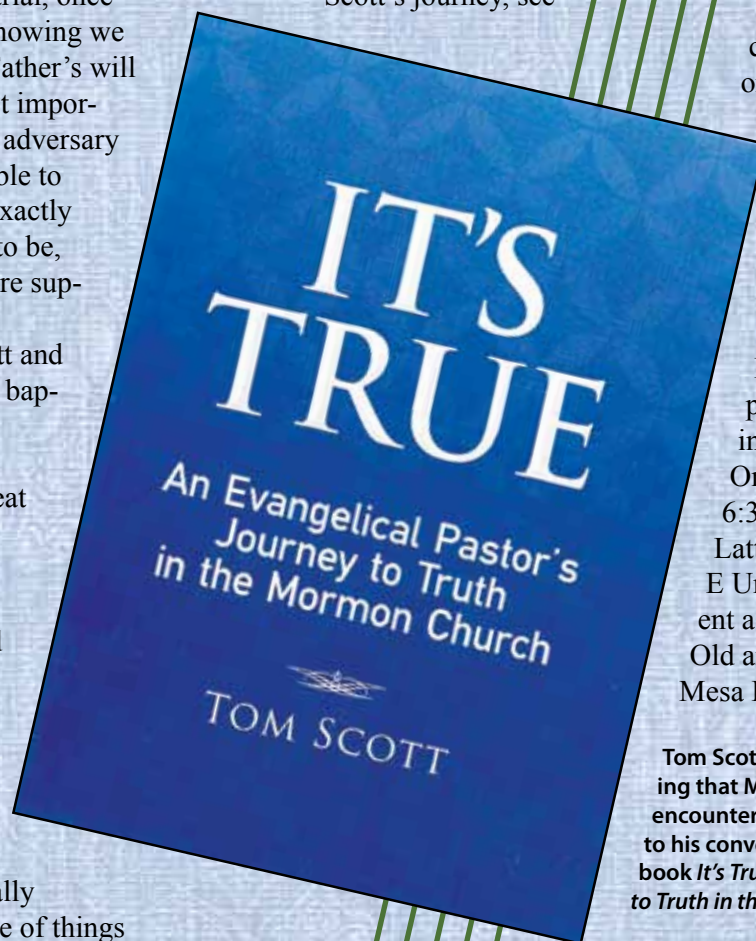
Brother and Sister Scott and two of their children were baptized in September 2011.

"Coming up out of the water at my baptism, a great sense of purpose swept through my spirit. I knew that the Heavenly Father had a plan for Maggie and me and that this was the starting point for something amazing," Tom says, adding, "Family is forever and our existence on this earth is truly temporal; what really matters is that we take care of things from an eternal perspective."

Brother Scott says, "I have to say

that what I feel in my heart for the LDS Church is a blazing love."

For more about Brother Scott's journey, see



<http://tomscottittrue.blogspot.com>. For quantity discounts or to schedule a speaking engagement, visit www.inglestonepublishing.com. *It's True* is available online at www.inglestonepublishing.com or Amazon.com and in local LDS bookstores.

The Scotts will sign books at Latter-day Cottage in Tucson (7012 East Broadway Boulevard) on Friday, July 20, from 3 to 6 p.m., and will present a fireside in the store at 6:30 that evening. On Saturday, July 21, from 3 to 6:30 p.m., they will sign books at Latter-day Cottage in Mesa (2820 E University Drive) and will present a book talk at Helen Schlie's Old and Rare Bookstore at 121 Mesa Drive at 7:30 that evening.

Tom Scott shares his story—from preaching that Mormons were a cult, to his first encounter with LDS people and what led up to his conversion—in the recently released book *It's True: An Evangelical Pastor's Journey to Truth in the Mormon Church*.

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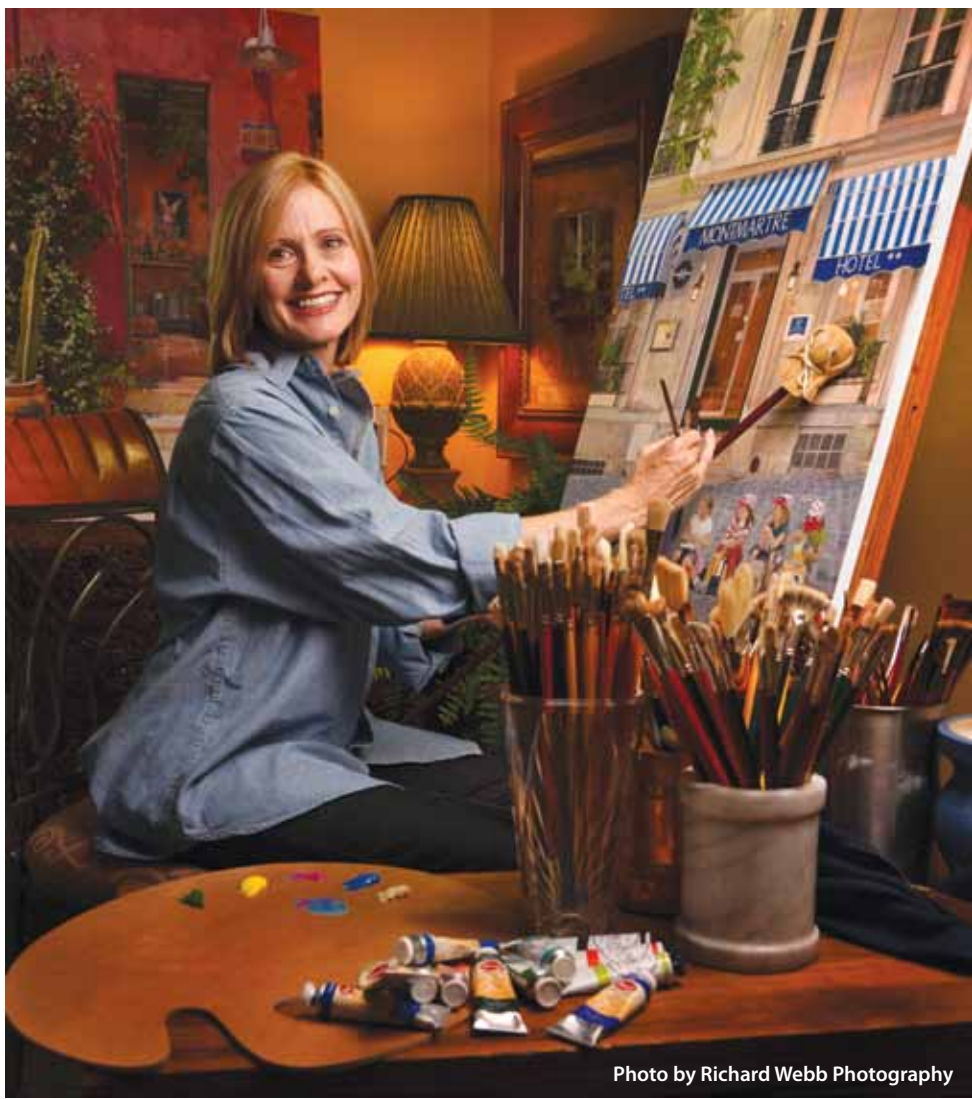


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Praised for paintings that are "truly beautiful and pleasing to the eye," Melissa Jennings, of Mesa, says her paintings of "old manor houses, cobblestoned villages and sun-soaked vistas" are inspired by her travels across the United States and around the world.

Mesa Artist's Work Conveys Her Fascination With *Color & Texture*

By Michael Heywood
The Beehive

"I experienced my first 'one-woman show' when I was just six years old," Melinda Jennings says. "My mother framed a crayon drawing I had made of my father, who was an attorney, and hung it in his office. From then on I held the title of 'The Artist' in our family. That became my identity."

Melinda, recently called as Relief Society president of the Mesa 25th Ward, in the Maricopa North Stake,

also credits her husband, Gordon, for encouraging her to pursue fine art seriously.

"He really believed in my talent," she states, "and his support gave me the freedom to devote my time to pursue painting with a sense of urgency."

Now, many others believe in her as well. Her paintings, many from "The Grand Estates Collection," have been featured in a virtual "Who's Who" of the finest national and international

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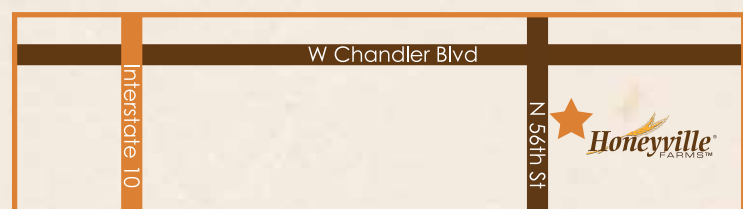
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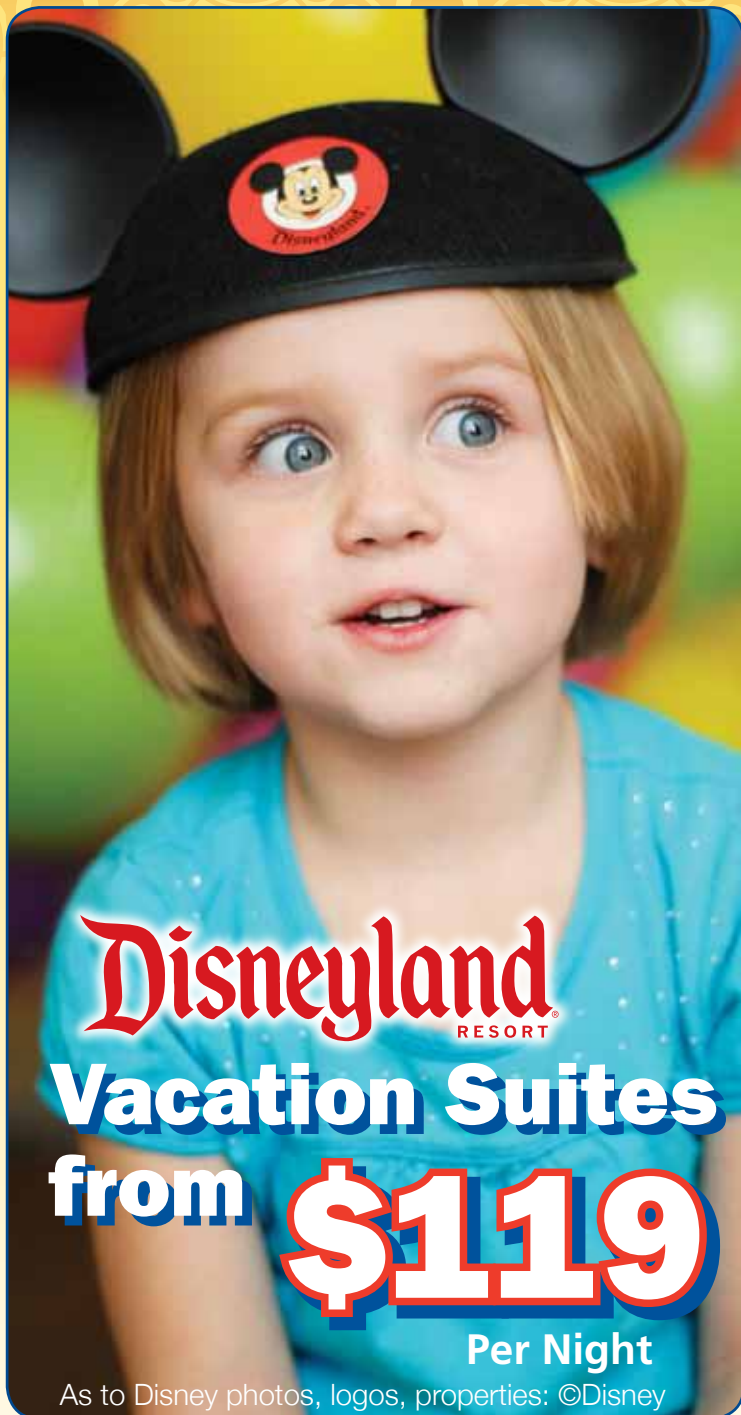
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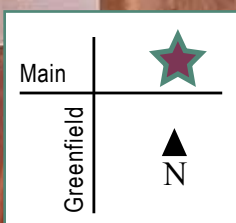
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Help Church Members Access LDS FAMILY SERVICES

By Stacy Johnson
The Beehive

The resources and professional counseling provided through LDS Family Services (LDS-FS) can be of great benefit to LDS families facing issues of marital conflict, parent-child conflict, addiction, abuse, depression, anxiety, same-gender attraction and other challenges, as well as birthparents and those seeking to adopt.

In an effort to provide the most beneficial service and support to Church members, the calling of Agency Representative allows LDSFS to work with

a stake member who serves as a liaison between the stake and the agency.

The Agency Representative (AR) presents information to stake members in a variety of ways, including as lessons in Relief Society and Priesthood meetings, bishopric trainings and stake and ward council meetings, among others. Formerly known as Birthparent Outreach Volunteers, they are now called Agency Representatives because the calling deals with more than just adoption and birthparent support programs.



Photo by Stacy Johnson

Some of the Agency Representatives from East Valley stakes gather for a snapshot after their monthly training meeting with David Dastrup, manager of adoption services for LDS Family Services Mesa office.

ARs in stakes served by the Mesa LDSFS office meet monthly to be educated on a variety of topics, such as addiction, the Church's Addiction Recovery Program (ARP) and issues facing birthparents and couples hoping to adopt. The ARs also learn how to assist stake members in gaining access to counseling services for social, emotional and spiritual challenges.

In past meetings, they have listened to guest speakers, including some who have shared their addiction recovery sorrows and triumphs and

some who are adoptive couples, who have talked about the love they have for the birthmother who placed her baby with them.

The ARs then take the knowledge they glean from these meetings and share it with the members of their stake. Sharon Parry, of the Woodglenn Park Ward, who serves as an AR for Chandler Alma Stake, says, "One of the great blessings of my calling is to see the hope in a person's eyes when

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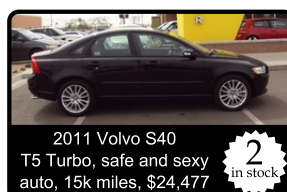
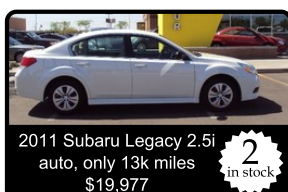
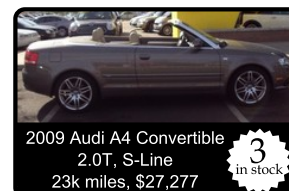
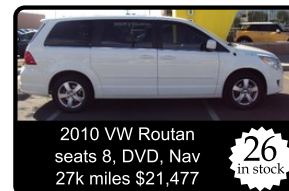
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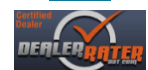
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they come to realize all the resources the Church has to offer. I love my calling.”

Birthparents and adoptive couples can use the stake AR for access to support and information on the process of placement and adoption. In these situations, the main responsibility of the AR is to be a support to the birthmother, whether she plans to place her child for adoption or raise the child. The AR can help with emotional, spiritual and even temporal issues, and can simply be a friend. The AR assists birthparents in making good decisions regarding their pregnancy by helping them honestly consider all possible options.

One birthmother said of her AR, “I love her. She supports me when it seems like nobody else does.”

In addition, ARs can assist priesthood leaders and individuals to access counseling and support groups for addiction recovery. The ARP is designed to assist in recovery for anyone struggling with an addiction to alcohol, drugs, food, gambling or pornography and is not limited only to members of the Church. The ARP utilizes the addiction recovery manual available through Church distribution, which is adapted from the original Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. It uses Church doctrines, principles and beliefs to aid in recovery.

Tamsen Filley, of the Cortina 1st Ward and AR for the Queen Creek North Stake says, “I love seeing lives changed by the programs supported by LDSFS and watching people come unto Christ.”

For more information about LDSFS, contact your stake AR or your bishop.

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gallery shows in America, including The Salmagundi Club of New York City (one of America’s oldest and most prestigious art clubs) and The Scottsdale Solon International Show. She is currently represented by The John Hanes Gallery in California’s Anderson Valley.

What sets Melinda apart as an artist is an aspect that gives her great enjoyment as well.

“I respond intensely to color, texture and form,” she says. “I marvel at the way these all come together almost magically in some of the quaint architecture and landscapes that I have been able to study in my travels in America and around the world.”

Melinda continues, “I am fascinated by the interplay of details as I become immersed in my subject.”

Getting those details right may take Melinda more than 300 hours working at the easel on a single painting.

Still she adds, “It is hugely fulfilling to see the painting gradually come to life in the studio.”

When Melinda’s artwork was featured in Gulf Connoisseur magazine, the publisher called her works “truly beautiful and pleasing to the eye” and “both realistic and unique.”

Melinda explains, “I began as a child spending untold hours and consuming countless reams of typing paper perfecting my ability to render accurately.”

As she matures as an artist, she strives to combine “that early Realist approach” with “the special sparkle” of master Impressionists, such as Manet, Degas and Toulouse-Lautre.

“The combination of these two styles creates a vibration on the canvas and infuses an extra vitality into the art.”

Her dream is to see her paintings hang in a museum one day.

“I have spent so many hours cap-

tivated by the magnificent works of other artists in the numerous museums I have visited, that I would love to provide a bit of that in return,” she says.

In addition to working on her craft, Melinda stays busy as the mother of five grown children and grandmother of 11, with one more on the way.

“Every one is a masterpiece,” she exclaims.

Another proud accomplishment is her role as a co-founder of The Ateliers Group (“ateliers” is French for “artists’ studios”), a select group of artists in the Phoenix metro area.

“People would be surprised to see the level of inspiring and talented artists we have here.” The group is planning a showing of their works and is working on selecting a suitable venue. Meanwhile, to view Melinda’s work, visit www.melindajennings.com. For information about The Ateliers Group, go to TheAteliersGroup.com.

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Liz Lemon Swindle

Art on Display at Mesa Temple Visitors' Center

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

"The Witnesses of Christ," a fine art exhibit featuring paintings by Liz Lemon Swindle, is on display at the Mesa Temple Visitors' Center.

The 20 paintings depict images of the Savior's life and miracles, including an eight-foot piece titled, "Seeking the One," that shows Christ looking as if He has left a herd of sheep in the background and is walking directly toward the viewer.

"It's just a real sweet exhibit," says Sister Beckstrand, who is serving with her husband, Linford Beckstrand, the Visitors' Center Director.

Sister Carlson, a fulltime missionary from Denver, Colo., says, "Just looking at these pictures you can feel

that Jesus Christ is real, that He does have a body. They are a witness of His life."

Sister Sordes, a fulltime missionary from France, agrees. "It's neat to see people walk in and you can see in their faces that they feel the spirit."

Many visit the exhibit as families, Primary groups or for Young Men and Young Women activities. Others come by themselves to spend time in reflection.

Jennifer Quaranta and Klorissa Manutai, Activity Day leaders from the Superstition Springs Ward in the Kimball East Stake, brought their Primary girls to see the exhibit.

Fulltime sister missionaries invite visitors to view the 20 Liz Lemon Swindle paintings which will be on display at the Mesa Temple Visitors' Center until the end of September.

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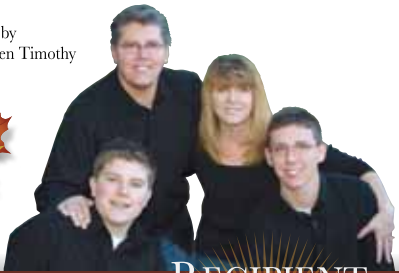
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Questions Surround Temple Rock's Mysterious Past

By Jill B. Adair
The Beehive

Situated behind the Mesa Temple Visitors' Center, on the east side of the reflecting pond, is a rock weighing nearly 9,000 pounds. While it might not get a lot of attention, it has a fascinating, mysterious history.

Among numerous petroglyphs on its face, is one in particular with a "series of circles that correspond in number and in subdivisions with the ancient Mayan calendar stone," reports a Mesa Journal-Tribune article published shortly after the rock was relocated to the temple grounds in 1934.

"The rock was a gift to the temple by the Indian department at Sacaton," the article states.

It was moved under the direction of J.W. LeSueur, who was a counselor in the temple presidency. Ten men were

needed to help because of its immense weight.

Ninety-two-year-old Margaret Stevenson, LeSueur's only surviving child, says her father was greatly interested in anything related to Native Americans.

"He studied it all his life," she says, adding he wrote several books, including *Indian Legends with a Comparison between the Book of Mormon History and Various Indian Legends*.

The Journal-Tribune article states that another petroglyph on the stone "is a character with 10 marks with a line under them, which is the exact reproduction of a similar character in a copy of the characters which Joseph Smith copied from the plates of the Book of Mormon and gave to Martin



Photo by Jill B. Adair

According to an historical account, a petroglyphic rock, which was moved to the Mesa Temple grounds in 1934, has one drawing that may be similar in outline to the Mayan calendar stone and another of a character representing a book.

Harris to take to Professors Anthon and Mitchel, Columbia University, and which in the professors' interpretation mean 'The Book,' or in other words, being the leaves of the book with the back fastened to it."

The article also states that the rock was moved from Hieroglyphic Canyon, although there now seems to be some question about the location.

Local historian Tom Kollenborn says Hieroglyphic Canyon is on the south side of the Superstition Mountains, although in the early 1930s it was known as Apache Springs Canyon.

"I've heard quite a few different stories about where (the rock) came

from," he says. "I'm still undecided."

Arizona historian Gregory E. Davis points out that another Mesa Journal-Tribune article, dated Jan. 12, 1931, about lost mines of the Superstition Mountains was accompanied by a photograph of the rock. The caption states: "Mysterious writings...the meaning of which no man knows...Prehistoric inscriptions found on rocks in the Superstitions."

The rock also shows up in a book, *Arizona Characters*, by Frank C. Lockwood, published in 1928. Arizona Gov. George W.P. Hunt stands in front

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Rhyme and Reason

By Linda Turley-Hansen

Chandler Young Woman Targets Olympic Championship

"Life is about writing your own story," John Virga says, as he reflects on his ambitious 15-year-old daughter.

Hannah, a sophomore at Hamilton High School in Chandler, is dreaming of an Olympic medal in the shooting competition in 2016. Hannah's father and her mother, Alycia, have mentored

her in the sport since she was age six. That was nine years ago, when her older brother's Christmas present, a .22 rifle, caught her fancy and turned out to be an instrument dreams are made of.

Brother Virga, a pediatric physical therapist, says, "There was never a question that Hannah was going to



Photo by John Virga

Fifteen-year-old Hannah Virga of Pleasant First Ward, Chandler West Stake demonstrates her sharpshooting skills at The Olympic Training Center.

take this very seriously and has always demonstrated a mature respect for firearms."

Hannah began official training at

age nine and was on the range at 10, the minimum age when youngsters are allowed. Now, the petite young woman, 88 lbs, barely four-feet-ten, "plus three quarters inches" (she proudly adds) is competing with college-age shooters.

For a second year, Hannah has competed for a spot on the Olympic team. This took place in Colorado Springs at the Olympic Training Center, in the air rifle

division. She was the youngest of the three Arizona shooters invited. Out of 100 contestants, Hannah placed 50th, down from 85th, last year; on target to secure a spot in 2016.

Since first holding that .22, Hannah's determination has not wavered. She now trains at home with her Feinwerkbau air rifle on a Noptel electronic trainer every day, except Sunday, and goes to the shooting range twice a week. She's a regular winner in competitions. So there are no problems, right? Read further.

The second year seminary student's championship grit had to be tested. It always does, you know, as we see in movie scripts. When she was given her final competition schedule, at the Olympic center in May, she discovered she would be shooting on Sunday.

With a catch in her throat, she knew what she had to do. Hannah would not compete on the Sabbath; her decision. That's just how it was. What comes to mind is this: How will Hannah make it to the top spot at the Olympics without Sunday shooting? Only her Heavenly Father and angels know.

But, we know what happened that weekend. She and her father put in a request to move her competition to Saturday. It would require her to shoot two relays in one day. Brother Virga explains, "Two in one day is equal to running two marathons in a day."

Could Hannah do it? Would she?

Hannah not only succeeded, but her best score was her second relay. And, as we know, that's what champions do.

When Hannah took up shooting, the Virga family was basically new to the world of firearms. Brother and Sister Virga are "impressed by the quality" of those in the sport: "They have been some of the most honest and service-oriented people we have ever met."

Hannah fits right in, but her adoring



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father says, "When you combine her character with her petite stature, she is more easily imagined as being a butterfly rescue coordinator than an NRA, certified sharpshooter."

Well, for sure, Hannah has spread her wings and is in full flight. We'll all watch with pride as our Arizona sharpshooter continues to live her story.

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Eleven-year-old Christina Rappier said the paintings made her feel "good." Whitney Goodman, 11, added, "They made me feel good inside and that He did a lot of good things and helped a lot of people."

In whatever way people choose to enjoy it, Sister Sordes says, the Liz Lemon Swindle paintings convey the feeling that "not only does he live, he cares about us."

Sister Sordes can't say which is her favorite, but one in particular she is drawn to is the piece titled, "He that is Without Sin." The painting portrays the story from St. John that tells about the woman who was found to be taken in adultery. The scribes and Pharisees brought her before Jesus, saying that the law commanded she should be stoned. "But what sayest thou?" they ask. As depicted in the painting, Jesus stooped down next to the woman, and wrote on the ground with his finger, as though he had not heard them. They asked again and finally, Jesus replied, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her."

Sister Sordes says, in that painting and the others, "I love the way she painted Jesus Christ, and the compassion you see. In every picture he is doing something for someone because he loves them so much."

"People like different ones," says Sister Carlson. She likes, "Why Weep-est Thou," and "His Only Begotten Son," as well as "Seeking the One," as it conveys "what we're doing as missionaries, seeking the ones that are lost."

The free display of Liz Lemon Swindle paintings is open at the Mesa Temple Visitors' Center from 9 am to 9 pm daily through the end of September.

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of it on a mountainside, but the location is not mentioned.

Eighty-year-old Wallace Sabin remembers, as a young boy, accompanying his father, Dewey, to help move the rock. "I vaguely remember riding out with him, loading it up and bringing it back," he says. However, he doesn't recall the exact location.

Visitors' Center Director, Elder Linford Beckstrand, says that a fact book about the temple and surround-

ing grounds indicates that the rock is "a large calendar stone found 30 miles south in the San Tan Mountains. It appears to be some type of Hohokam calendar stone reminiscent of those created by the ancient Aztecs and Mayans."

He says generally no one asks about the petroglyphs, their meaning or the rock's origin and thinks most people "just see a big rock."

Mr. Kollenborn says regardless

of where it came from, one thing is certain—it is unique.

"You don't see those calendar rocks very often," he says. "It is the only one I have ever seen that is that prominent."

He also says moving it probably saved it as it would have been used for target practice like many other petroglyphic rocks that have been marred by bullets. "It wouldn't be what it is today," he says.



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From the Editor's Desktop

By Cecily Markland

The Parable of the Paintbrush

It wasn't my story. It was one lived by someone else. But, when I heard it related in a church meeting in Pinetop one Sunday, it struck a chord or two. Truth be told, it was more than just a chord, something akin to an entire orchestra movement.

Like any parable, the symbols spoke to me, meant more conveyed by the spirit and written in the fleshy tables of my heart than they would have had I been the one holding the paintbrush. Here's what I mean:

As the story goes, a young couple who had been renting for some time

were moving into their own home. They were faced with the usual hassles of coordinating schedules of when one family was moving in and the other moving out, but, overriding all of that was the excitement of having a place of their own, one that was just a few blocks away, so was in the same ward and in the same neighborhood they had come to love. Wanting to make it feel as fresh and new and as much like their own as possible from the outset, the couple set about to give the walls a new coat of white paint.

As the project progressed and the

walls took on a new sheen, the wife noticed a few spots on the ceiling that looked a bit dingy—like, perhaps, the ceiling needed a bit of touching up as well. So, white-paint loaded paintbrush in hand, she maneuvered her way toward one of the spots, stepped up on the ladder to reach it, and then—painted. She did the same with a few other spots she had noticed on the ceiling and then stood back to inspect her work.

When she did, it was obvious that the "white" on the ceiling was not as "white" and clean as what they were using to paint the walls. The couple ended up having to paint the ceiling as well.

The man's comment was this: Satan tries to make us believe that our ceilings are white. Yet, Heavenly Father helps us see, even the small things that are amiss in our lives so we can do what we need to do to make them pure and clean.

The Book of Mormon says it this

way: And if men come unto me I will show unto them their weakness. I give unto men weakness that they may be humble; and my grace is sufficient for all men that humble themselves before me; for if they humble themselves before me, and have faith in me, then will I make weak things become strong unto them" (Ether 12:27).

That's when the chord was struck for me—or more like when the full orchestra played! That day, I was already fully aware of some weaknesses I had—I had already seen that my ceiling was far from white in some spots. And, yet, in that man's testimony, as in the scripture in Ether, I was reminded, with a blessed assurance, that it IS the spirit of the Lord that allows me to see those weaknesses, and that His grace IS sufficient. Indeed, harmonic chords sang within my heart with gratitude and hope, and with renewed faith that I can always turn to Him and have His help in applying a fresh coat of paint.

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By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

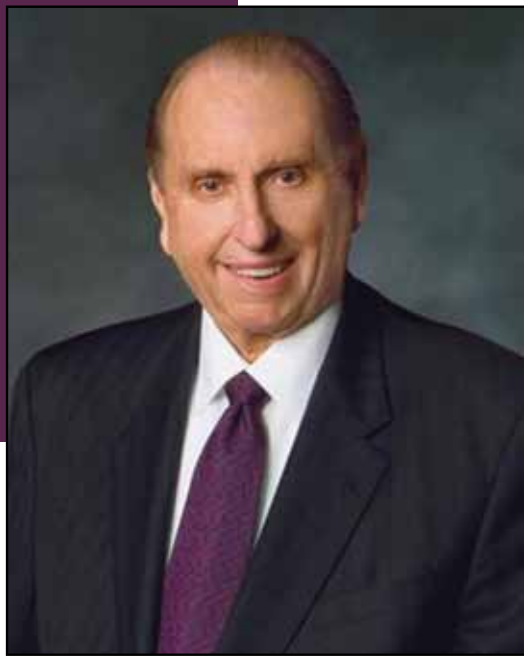


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President Thomas S. Monson, who will turn 85 in August, will be honored with a gala celebration to be held at the Conference Center in Salt Lake and broadcast to stake centers around the world and over BYUtv.

Latter-day Saints in Arizona and worldwide will be able to join in celebrating President Thomas S. Monson's 85th birthday, as a gala celebration held at the Conference Center will be broadcast over the Church's satellite system and BYUtv.

"Golden Days: A Celebration of Life" is the theme for the celebration to be held at 8 p.m. (Mountain Daylight Time) Friday, August 17.

Broadway selections and other favorites will be performed by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, the Orchestra at Temple Square and guest artists. Sharing the master of ceremony slot for the event will be former San Francisco 49ers quarterback and pro-football Hall of Famer, Steve Young, and national network news anchor and author, Jane Clayson Johnson.

"This celebration is a great way to let [President Monson] know how much he is loved and appreciated," Young said.

President Monson was born in Salt Lake City August 21, 1927, to G.

Spencer and Gladys Condie Monson. He married Frances Beverly Johnson October 7, 1948, in the Salt Lake Temple. They are the parents of three children, with eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. His life has been filled with educational accomplishments, successes in his career, as well as decades of service to his church, country and community. On February 2, 2008, Thomas S. Monson began his service as 16th president of the Church, having served as a counselor in the First Presidency since November 1985. He was sustained to the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles October 4, 1963, at the age of 36.

The program will be shown Saturday, August 18, at various LDS stake centers over the Church satellite system, with subsequent rebroadcasts to many areas. The entire performance also will be rebroadcast on BYUtv Saturday, August 18 at 7 p.m.; Sunday, August 19, at 10 a.m. and Monday, August 20 at 3 a.m. MDT.

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Arizona Doctors & Staff Provide Eyeglasses & Surgeries in Mexico

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

A team of ophthalmologists, optometrists and staff, led by Dr. Lothaire Bluth, went to Mexico in May, where they provided eyeglasses as well as eye exams and surgeries to people in need.

The venture was the latest of more than 20 such trips that Dr. Bluth has organized over the past two decades. Stake President in the Gilbert Val Vista Stake and founder of Southwestern Eye Centers, Dr. Bluth says, "We haven't gone the last three or

four years because of safety issues in Mexico, so it was nice to go back again."

Dr. John Knippers, of the Pinetop Lakes Ward, Pinetop Lakeside Stake, and an ophthalmologist/ eye surgeon who works in Southwestern Eye Center's Lakeside office, says they did 40 to 50 surgeries a day for the two days they were there. He says he enjoyed the opportunity to serve people who needed the care.

"I was able to operate on people—



Photo courtesy Southwestern Eye Center

Dr. Lothaire Bluth, founder of Southwestern Eye Center, completes one of the 40 or 50 surgeries performed by him and a team of Southwestern Eye Center doctors as part of a recent Mexico Mission humanitarian trip.

do cataract surgeries—for some who couldn't see at all before the surgery," says Dr. Knippers.

Soon after they arrived in Colonia Dublan and got the clinic set up, "Patients started to show up," Dr. Knippers says. "They stood in a long line, some of them all day long."

Colonia Dublan, located in the state

of Chihuahua, and now adjacent to Nuevo Casas Grandes, is a small town, one of the few surviving settlements that began as part of the Mormon colonies in Mexico.

Dr. Bluth selects Colonia Dublan for a personal reason.

"That is where I was raised," he

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"Sank" Flake's Barn Displays His Heritage and His Own Colorful Past

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

From the outside, it's fairly nondescript. Near the Snowflake, Ariz., town center, past a ranch-style pole entrance there's a typical-looking barn. But, open the door to "Sank's barn" and be ready for an experience unlike many others.

"Sank" is Sanford Flake, born February 27, 1933. His great grandfather, William Jordan Flake, was the first settler in Snowflake, and Sank's barn sits just across the street from the imposing, Victorian-style home built by his grandfather, James Madison Flake.

Sank's two-story barn has a beauti-

fully constructed interior of polished, knotty pine and filled with a visual panorama, a museum of his own interesting past. "I built it to put my hay in," Sank laughs. "I used knotty pine because I could buy it cheap, but when it was finished, it was too pretty to put hay in it."

Instead, he uses it for family gatherings and opens it up for parties, banquets or concerts—many where he himself plays or encourages his daughter, Tawna Flake-Posegate, to take the



Photo by Cecily Markland

Sanford Flake welcomes visitors to see the many items linked to his talents, his own colorful history and his interest in his heritage, which he shares in a museum-like exhibit referred to simply as "Sank's Barn."

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explains.

He left the area after graduating from high school.

"There are still a lot of white, 'anglo,' members of the Church in that area. There are still two English-speaking wards there," he explains.

He says, in planning each humanitarian trip, "We work with the Rotary Club there." "They make announcements on the radio prior to our coming," then, at the temporary clinics, they accept only the very poorest in the area, who don't have any other way to get the eye care they need.

For the most recent trip, Dr. Bluth says, "There were 15 to 20 of us who went. We have taken up to 40 or 50 people in the past."

In addition to the clinic and surgical center, the group also sets up a temporary optical shop to hand out donated eyeglasses that they collect prior to the trip.

"Sometimes the collecting of previously used glasses to give out on these medical missions has been done as an Eagle Scout project," Dr. Bluth says.

"With the eyeglasses, they have set up an organizational system that works pretty well," Dr. Knippers says. People are examined and it is determined what prescription they need and then they are matched to four or five pair of eyeglasses that they can try on to see which fits them best.

Dr. Knippers adds that members of the group are unpaid volunteers, giving up vacation time to go. Yet, he says, "It's good to be able to provide the service to those that need it."



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SNOWFLAKE ~ TAYLOR SECTION

Arizona Author and Artist Finds Success with his "Dragons" Series

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

In the first LDS Church building constructed in Taylor, Arizona, now transformed into Coppervale Studio, James A. Owen works his craft.

There, he creates dragons and drawings—including the makings of two dozen "Starchild" comics and "The Chronicles of the Imaginarium Geographica," a series of novels published by Simon and Shuster.

Having worked professionally as an illustrator and storyteller for more than two decades, James says he enjoys his work.

"I love the process, I love coming

up with the stories, and designing and finishing the illustrations. I guess I believe that if you aren't having fun creating your stories, people aren't going to have fun reading them," he says.

Still, his success has been hard won at times.

Early in his career, James was in a car accident and his drawing hand was crushed. "The only thing he wanted was to be able to hold a pen in his hand again," says Jeremy Owen, James' brother and manager of Coppervale International.

For six months, James spent hours on end, with a bolt and a block of

wood, screwing it in and then unscrewing it, until he strengthened his hand again.

James breaks it down this way:

"The talents I have are a gift; the environment I grew up in—a family of teachers and artists—was a blessing; but success has to be earned."

He adds, "The world is full of gifted people doing little or nothing with their talents, and I think the greatest responsibility I have in using my own is in showing people that it is



Photo by Christy Moeller

From his Coppervale Studio in Taylor, Ariz., James Owen crafts intricate cartoon illustrations and drawings of dragons and writes his well-received young adult fantasy novels, including "The Chronicles of the Imaginarium Geographica," a series of novels published by Simon and Shuster.

possible, that one can face adversarial circumstances and still find a way to use the gifts you've been given to help other people and enrich their lives."

This message, James says, is one he shares when he speaks to school and community groups and is at the core of his nonfiction book: Drawing Out the Dragons: A

Meditation on Art, Destiny and the Power of Choice.

Similar ideas are woven into his Imaginarium Geographica series.

"The novels, beginning with Here, There be Dragons, have told a big, sweeping, fantastical story—but at

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Early Snowflake Saints Experience Lessons for Life

By Emily Jex Boyle
The Beehive

As Latter-day Saints settled towns across Arizona, they shared the work, as well as the experiences—and the ups and downs—of living life.

For Alice Smith Hansen (1901-1996), one particular life event gave her reason to elude her principal ever after.

One month before World War I, during the dark hours before morning, Samuel F. Smith woke his teenage daughter, Alice, and told her she must go get Aunt Em.

The youngest of the five wives of Samuel's father, Jesse N. Smith, Em was widowed at a young age. In a community where many had formerly practiced plural marriage, townspeople regularly used

the endearing terms of "aunt" and "uncle" when referring to any senior citizens. Samuel revered Em lovingly as his "other mother."

Em provided for herself as a nurse and midwife. Aunt Em's presence brought comfort to Samuel and his wife, Lulu. In the previous six years, two of their children had died in infancy. Em's skills helped safely deliver the last six of their 13 children.

That warm July night, Alice was not the only one pulled from slumber when her mother, Lulu J. Hatch Smith, went into labor. Since all Smith children were born in the front bedroom of the home, the newly arrived school principal and Smith family visitor, E. Ernest Bramwell, was asked to vacate the front room where he was sleeping.

At the time, Samuel Smith was serving as the Snowflake Stake President, a position he held for nearly 39 years. One of his responsibilities was overseeing education at the Church-run Snowflake Academy. Brother Bramwell, one of the fathers of the Church's school system, had studied in Utah, Illinois and California. Before his assignment to Snowflake, he spent four years on Church assignment starting schoolwork in Raymond, Alberta, Canada.

The Smith family arranged for their displaced visitor to stay at Aunt Em's home for the remainder of the night. Alice was mortified when her father

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the core of it all, the books are about learning how to grow up without losing the sense of wonder that makes life worthwhile," James says. "That's what growing up is all about—not setting aside the things you loved as children, but being willing to accept that your choices have meaning."

For James, the choice to write and to draw has brought a measure of success. He earned a 2003 AI

award for best novel and was nominated for Best International Novel for his first series, *Mythworld*; then, he began a successful run with Simon & Schuster, in 2006, with *Here, There Be Dragons*, the first in his *Imaginarium Geographica* series.

"I think I launched this series at just the right time. Young adult fantasy has been very popular for a while, and, besides, dragons are cool," James says.

Here, There Be Dragons is now in its sixth hardcover printing, eighth paperback printing, and is being published in more than 20 languages. The

second book, *The Search for the Red Dragon*, was released in early 2008, followed by *The Indigo King* (fall of 2008), *The Shadow Dragons* (October 2009) and *The Dragon's Apprentice* (October 2010). The sixth, *The Dragons of Winter*, comes out in August.

Jeremy, his wife, Churstan, and their six children and James, his wife, Cindy, and their two children, are members of the Taylor Arizona Stake.

To learn more, see samples of James Owen's illustrations or to read his blog visit www.coppervaleinternational.com. Find him on Facebook at: <http://www.facebook.com/CoppervaleStudio>

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stage. And, always, he welcomes visitors to take a free tour of "the barn."

It is chockfull of mementoes to the western life he loves, which included a 30-year career in law enforcement—first as Snowflake's town marshal and then as police chief—and a passion for ranching as well.

The barn includes the supply wagon that accompanied Sank on the trips he took as he rode his horse, Denver, more than 7,000 miles across the country—from coast to coast and then from the Canadian border to the Mexican border. Sank, who rode with the Pony Express and served as wrangler for professional trail rides, has a Pony Express uniform on display.

He also shows off three horse mannequins he painted to match his own horses and a prize bull mounted by a taxidermist, as were a pet bobcat and several hunting trophies, including caribou, Dall sheep and moose.

Displays in the barn and throughout the house are testament to his incredible talents as an amateur painter and musician. He has a collection of elaborately carved walking sticks and 10-inch or 12-inch stone carvings that were used to cast collector coins, including the one he fashioned for Snowflake's cen-

tennial celebration.

His barn includes beaver-skin costumes, coyote pelts, an assortment of cowboy hats as well as cowboy boots that were gifts from famous bootmaker John Justin.

It's interspersed with Native American rugs and jewelry, strings of Christmas lights and a crystal chandelier-style lamp hanging over a player piano.

Somehow it all comes together in a cohesive, organized presentation, and a perfect backdrop for Sank's stories—including memories of growing up in the mission field and, later, serving a mission to New Zealand with his wife, Louise.

"My dad, Eugene, was the mission president to all the southwest Indian people," Sank remembers. "I drove President [Spencer W. Kimball] all over the southwest. While I drove, he'd type letters to everyone he met."

Some of Sank's favorite stories are of life with Louise. Married on February 3, 1956, their love for one another is evident.

"I wouldn't have been worth 10 cents if I hadn't married her," he says.

Together they raised four children, and Louise taught school for 30 years before retiring.

"Sanford has been fun to live with," she says.

"We've had a good marriage," he smiles, then launches into another story.

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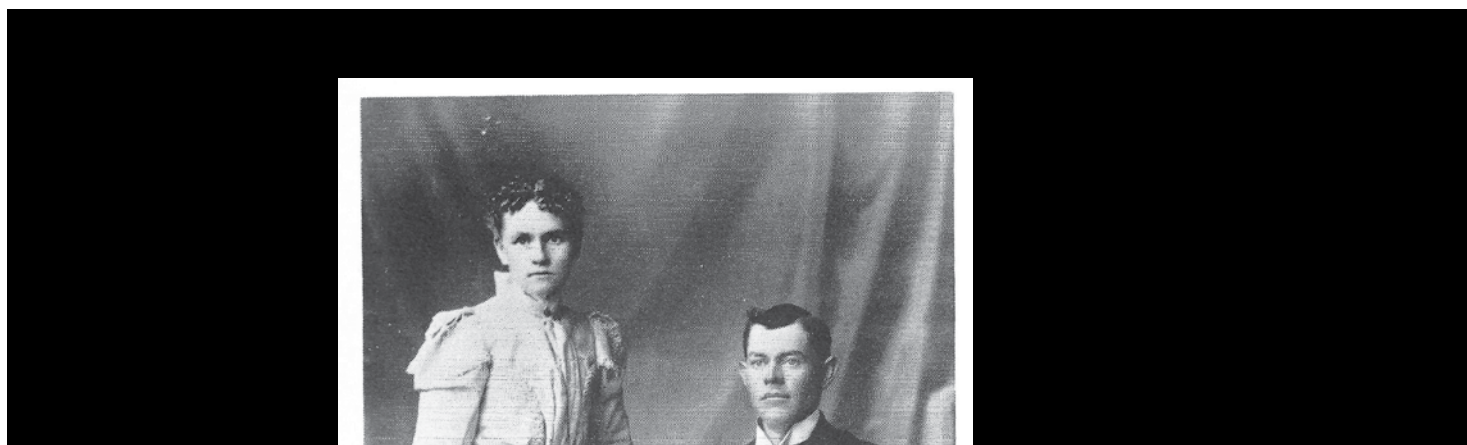
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*Wedding photo taken in
April 1900 in Salt Lake
City, shows early Snow-
flake Saints, Samuel F.
and Lulu J Smith, whose
daughter, Alice, shares
the story of an embar-
rassing moment that took
place on the night of the
birth of her sister, Lu.*

Photo courtesy of Emily Jex Boyle

*Wedding picture of Samuel F.
and Lulu J. Smith taken in
Salt Lake City, April 1900.*

Photographs Sought for Historical Photo Project

The Snowflake and Taylor-Shumway Heritage Foundations are working on a project to scan and save the traces of pictorial history for coming generations.

“While this will be an ongoing project, we are anxious to get older photographs identified while we still have community members who can help us,” the foundations state.

According to the prepared flyer, “We will scan your photos or documents, and return a CD with the scanned images and originals to you. Donated photos are welcome as well.”

The project is particularly interested in photos that depict the lives of the early pioneers and subsequent residents as they settled in the area, including family gatherings, homes, buildings, railroad, community activities, meetings, ranching activities and so on.

To help with the project: gather photos, identify who, what, where and when as much as possible, then call one of the following numbers to arrange to have the photos scanned: Snowflake-Taylor Chamber of Commerce—928-536-4331, Snowflake Heritage Foundation—928-536-4881 or Taylor-Shumway Heritage Foundation—928-536-6649.

Scanned photos will be available to the public through the cataloging software used by the foundations and will eventually be published online.

asked her to accompany Brother Bramwell to Em’s home. Alice’s humiliation increased when her father told the teenager that her principal-to-be would also accompany her to get Ellen Owens, a nursing student, who had agreed to assist in the delivery and needed to be told the time had come.

As the moon set that night, Alice’s face felt warmer than usual, briskly walking the streets of Snowflake in the dark with her principal-to-be. Alice wondered why her brothers were not asked to accomplish such a duty.

For Alice, the Owens’ home was a welcome sight, and she assured Brother Bramwell that she and Ellen would be fine walking back home by themselves. Brother Bramwell left the girls and crossed town to Aunt Em’s.

Carrying a black bag and dressed in a large, white, starched apron, Aunt Em soon arrived at the Smith home. Before sunup, the first sweet cries of a baby girl echoed through the Smith home. The ninth child of the Smith family, named “Lu” after her mother, Lulu, was born July 20, 1914.

While Alice’s embarrassment momentarily gave way to excitement about her new baby sister, she never felt completely comfortable around her principal again.

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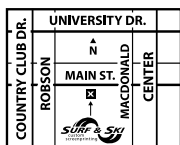
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ALL-STAR PEDIATRICS Welcomes New Patients

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

At his recently opened All-Star Pediatric office in the East Valley, Dr. Steven Mousser is committed to providing his young patients with the utmost in professional care, while creating a “memorable and pleasant experience with each visit,” he says.

Dr. Mousser did his undergraduate work at Brigham Young University, graduated from the University of Arizona Medical School, then completed his residency at St. Joseph’s Hospital in Phoenix.

He began in private practice in 2000 in the East Valley. Two years later, he cofounded Desert Pediatric Hospitalists, which ultimately became one of the state’s largest pediatric hospitalist practices. In 2005, he cofounded one of the first child-only urgent care services.

Now, Dr. Mousser has chosen to return to office practice with the open-

ing of All-Star Pediatrics in November 2011.

“I wanted to go back to the office and to be closer to home,” says Dr. Mousser. Most of all, he wanted to create a setting where he could combine his broad range of experience and expertise, with his interest in caring for children.

“As a hospitalist, I’ve had the experience of taking care of sicker kids than most pediatricians,” he says.

Yet, while strongly professional, he’s chosen to make his practice far from clinical and stuffy.

“The office has an all-sports theme. It’s one of the best looking pediatric clinics you’ll ever see. It’s fun, that’s all there is to it,” Dr. Mousser says.

In addition to the fun setting, parents like the fact that, “It’s a small office, so every patient gets to see me. Most parents like the fact that they don’t have to see a different doctor



Photo courtesy Dr. Steve Mousser

After working as a pediatric hospitalist since 2002, Dr. Steve Mousser chose to return to private practice and opened his own pediatric office in Gilbert.

every time.”

He says, “Most of what we do is ‘healthy stuff.’ A good portion of the time we are monitoring growth and development and educating parents about the right way to help their children grow up to be strong and healthy.”

“At well visits, we talk about choices of foods, exercise and other things that can keep kids healthy,” Dr. Mousser says.

Still, while helping parents establish healthy lifestyle habits, Dr. Mousser is also vigilant, always watching to make sure nothing is amiss.

“I really love kids,” he says. “I love babies, and I love kids. It makes me feel good that I can help them to get better and to stay well.”

Dr. Mousser is board-certified in pediatrics. He and his wife, Becky, have four daughters and are members of the Gilbert 3rd Ward.

All-Star Pediatrics is located at 4915 E Baseline Road, Ste 110, which is on the southwest corner of Higley and Baseline, in Gilbert. The office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. To contact the office by telephone, call 480-832-0480 or email Dr. Mousser at smousser@gmail.com



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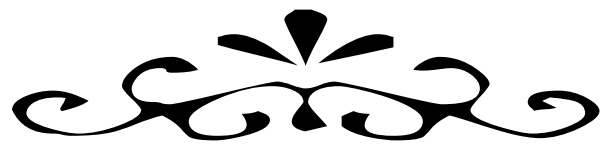
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HERITAGE INN BED & BREAKFAST BOASTS "COME-BACK" FACTOR



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Thanks to the hospitality and focus of owners JoAnne and Craig Guderian, Heritage Inn Bed and Breakfast in Snowflake has been recognized as one of the top 20 bed and breakfasts in the state and among Arizona Highway's "favorite places to stay."

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

Heritage Inn Bed and Breakfast in Snowflake offers a total-package experience that could be described as "hospitality personified"—and that still wouldn't come close to saying it all.

Heritage Inn offers the perfect accommodations—whether you're taking in the history of the area, enjoying nearby hiking and boating, visiting the White Mountains for one of their community celebrations or just wanting to observe a special occasion or have a getaway of your own.

Recognized as one of the top 20 bed and breakfasts in the state, Heritage Inn Bed and Breakfast is a convenient "jumping off" place for a wide range of activities.

"Guests frequently stay with us in conjunction with a visit to the Snowflake Arizona Temple, or to play golf on one of 10 golf courses nearby. Antiquing, Snowflake's historical home walking tour, biking, birding and fishing are all great year-round activities. Wintertime activities include downhill skiing, cross country skiing, ice fishing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, sledding..." the website states.

Nearby attractions include state and national parks, historic Route 66, Pinetop/Lakeside, Fool Hollow Lake, the Painted Desert and more.

"We are truly excited that we were recognized by Arizona Highways as one of their favorite places to stay," JoAnne says.

The Guderians attribute it to the setting and accoutrements of their 10 guest bedrooms, saying: "From the moment you enter our impeccably

restored 1890 Victorian pioneer home, you sense the difference, the amenities of a fine hotel with the ambiance of a historical home," the Heritage Inn website explains.

The difference, however, truly begins with owners JoAnne and Craig Guderian, who bought the inn in 2009. Since then, they have worked to create what has become a well-know "come-back" factor. Guests at the Inn are often repeat-customers and many say things like Taylor and Briana Evert, from Tricities, Wash., did. "We will be back again to enjoy your sweet hospitality and smiles," they said. Dick and Marty Reiners, from Tucson, call it "the perfect place to settle for a short stay."

Visitors give positive feedback and comments on the décor, the comfort, the kindness and the delicious breakfasts—especially the Guderians' specialty—the light and lemony "German Babies" pancakes.

While establishing their own reputation, they also have worked hard to promote the Snowflake and Taylor area. The Guderians serve on the Snowflake-Taylor Chamber of Commerce Board and the Snowflake-Taylor Tourism Committee, and are very active in their community. While the Guderians were honored as Business of the Year and JoAnne was named Businesswoman of the Year, they won't stop there.

"We want to continue doing what we set out to—to give our customers a chance to relax and be pampered—in the best setting possible," JoAnne says.

To learn more or to schedule a stay, visit <http://www.heritage-inn.net>.

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A manuscript has to be exceptional for a new author to get a deal with a major publishing house, but online self-publishing companies have made it easy and fairly inexpensive to see that book in print.

While you do need to do a little homework and be aware of some of the pitfalls, new technology means publishing a book is in the realm of possibilities for most people.

Small publishing companies or “partner publishers” can offer valuable

guidance and advice about editing, publicity and ways to make your book more professional and marketable. Still, many authors find that going it alone with a print-on-demand service is the best bet for their particular project. With print-on-demand, books are printed only when someone orders a copy. This allows an author to spend less money upfront and retain the rights to their work.

Three popular websites providing this service are CreateSpace.com, Lulu.com and Blurb.com. On these sites, you can upload your document in a PDF file or Word document and use their templates for designing a cover.

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Again, if your book has a more universal appeal, you may want to at least consult with a small publishing company. Then, check out the information available on all three of these Internet companies’ sites. They also feature online bookstores, which means your book can be available for anyone to purchase.

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bile devices. An e-book’s price could be \$2.99, with the author making up to 70 percent profit per purchased download.

Either way, you’ll need to promote your book.

Here’s where your effort makes a difference. It’s up to you how much you will want to spend—both in time and money—on self-promotion.

Free marketing starts with social media—promote your book on Facebook, Twitter, blogs and forums—linking to your book in the online store. Consider advertising in media sources that reach your target audience. The publishing websites also offer marketing opportunities, for a fee, of course, but all of this can pay off. One e-book author became so popular due to her tireless self-promotion that one publishing house, which at first rejected her manuscripts, came knocking at her door with a million-dollar deal.

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About.com Phoenix Offers Listing of Family-Friendly and Free Events

By Cecily Markland
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The About.com Phoenix website (at <http://phoenix.about.com/>) helps Valley residents and guests find out about what is happening in the area. The site includes a calendar of events, suggestions for things to do around Phoenix, including family-friendly attractions, workshops and places to dine or to stay, as well as a weekly column of "Free Things to Do."

Judy writes: "The activities in this event calendar are appropriate for families unless otherwise indicated. If the event is free, I'll mention that, too."

Among the August events, she lists

several Phoenix area concerts, shows, sporting events and other activities, as well as free events, many of which are recurring. These include:

The 2nd Friday of each month in Mesa offers live music, entertainment, art walk on Main Street between Center and Country Club in downtown Mesa. The family-friendly event is free.

Every Monday evening (except when store is closed), Cabela's in Glendale offers Cabela's Kids Kamp, with free programs related to hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities for youngsters ages 9 to 13.

The Chandler Center for the Arts'

Summer Concert Series is a series of free, family-friendly public concerts at the Chandler Center for the Arts on August 3, 17 and 24 and September 21. Seating is first-come, first-served. Foyer doors will open one hour prior to show-time.

The free Downtown Chandler Art Walk, the third Friday of each month, includes art by more than 70 artisans displayed along the streets in historic downtown Chandler.

Visit <http://phoenix.about.com/> for additional events and activities in the Phoenix area.

Construction Progresses on Phoenix Temple

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

Later-day Saints in the Phoenix area watch with anticipation as the construction of two temples continues.

The Gilbert Temple was in the spotlight in May as many in the area turned out to see the Angel Moroni statue placed on its spire (See the article in this issue of the Beehive.)

Progress continues on the Phoenix Temple as well, with the basement walls in place and steel girders forming the skeleton for the main level.

Plans to build the Phoenix Temple, the fifth in Arizona, were announced on May 24, 2008. Located at the intersection of Pinnacle Peak Road and 51st Avenue, the temple sits on a parcel that is approximately five acres and is adjacent to an existing meetinghouse.

The original design was for a two-story building, but it was redesigned to meet existing zoning restrictions. The redesigned single-story building includes a full basement and a footprint of 27,423 square feet. According to the Phoenix Temple website at www.mormontemples.org/phoenix, "In keeping with our standards of temple building, the materials and workmanship will be of the highest quality, and the grounds will be created and maintained to bring a sense of peace and tranquility to those who enjoy the grounds and the surrounding community."

At a visitors' trailer at the construction site, guests can learn about construction updates or receive information about the Phoenix Temple and temples in general. For official updates and construction photographs of the Phoenix Temple, visit <http://mormontemples.org/phoenix>

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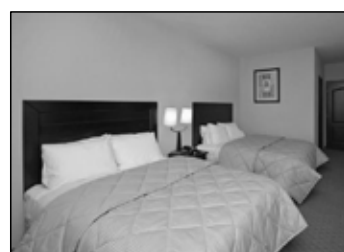
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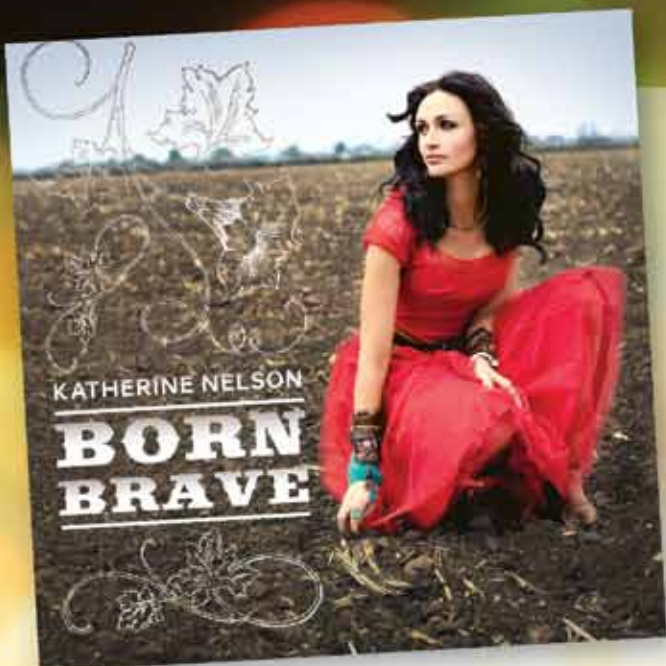
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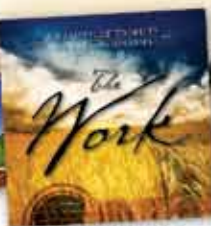
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Online Chore Chart Rewards Children for a Job Well Done

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

The online chore tracking system called MyJobChart.com has added new features—in the form of a savings account and debit card—making it even more dynamic and valuable for preparing young people for the world ahead. The free, customizable website was created by Gregg Murset, a certified financial planner and member of the Hawes Ward, Queen Creek Stake and was launched in March 2010.

Gregg and his wife, Kami, needed an efficient way to track the “to-do” lists of a family with six children, then ages 3 to 13. He says they also wanted to teach their children the value of money and hard work.

What he hit upon, an online chore chart with a built-in reward system, has been extremely well-received, as witnessed by its tremendous growth. More than 150,000 young people use MyJobChart.com today.

“In June of this year, we had one day when we added 710 kids,” Gregg says.

He attributes the growth to the site’s format.

“MyJobChart.com is technology,” Gregg explains. “That’s what kids like these days. Tech is cool. Paper on a refrigerator is not cool anymore and it doesn’t engage anybody.”



Photo courtesy MyJobChart.com

The dynamic online chore-tracking system, MyJobChart.com, now has more than 150,000 users, who learn accountability and the basics of money management, through a built-in reward system and features like a savings account and a debit card option.

Parents like MyJobChart as well, as it is fully customizable. They can create a family account with a list for each child, so individual chores, practices and activities can all be tracked. For each chore completed, young people earn reward points—and

more than 100 million reward points have been earned to date by My Job Chart users.

This dynamic, built-in reward system, helps users learn the basics of money management, as reward points can be “saved,” “spent” or “shared” as a donation to a charitable organization.

In recent months, an arrangement with ING Direct Bank has made it possible for MyJobChart.com users to open a Kids Savings Account, with no fees, no minimum balances. Plus, when a Kids Account is opened through MyJobChart, ING automatically deposits \$20 in the account. In six months since this feature was added, 1000 such accounts have been opened.

Now, children, ages 9 and up, can have added “real-world” experience as they can sign up for an ING Direct Money Debit Card through MyJobChart.com. The card allows children to learn lessons in spending and tracking money,

but it also has a safety valve as it can be set up so when the child uses it, the parent gets a text message telling where and how much was spent.

To explore all the features of this free chore-tracking system, visit www.MyJobChart.com

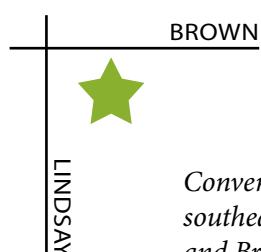


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FamilySearch Indexing Sets Goal of “Five Million Record” Day

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

On July 2, indexers around the world participated in the FamilySearch Indexing “Five Million Record” Day, with the goal of indexing and arbitrating five million names in just 24 hours. A secondary goal was to get more people involved and have them join with the thousands of others who index records from home.

“No other name transcription project that we know of has ever come close,” to five million records in a day, states the FamilySearch Facebook page. The post continues, explaining that, prior to the July 2 event, “Our highest day for indexing and arbitrating combined—for the last three months and in the history of indexing—was April 30th. On that day, we reached 4.9 million records submitted.”

While the push for a “5 Million Record” day is past, the need for indexing continues, all part of an ongoing project designed to make genealogical records free and searchable on the web.

FamilySearch Indexing is a volunteer project, a function of FamilySearch, a genealogy organization of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The project is designed to create searchable digital indexes for scanned images of historical documents, including census records, birth and death certificates, marriage licenses, military and property

records, and other vital records.

“An army of volunteers from around the world is now working to make these records available to everyone,” states the FamilySearch.org site, where anyone can sign up and get started.

Volunteers install proprietary software available at no cost on their home computers, download images from the site, type the data they read from the image via the software, and submit their work back to the site. The data is eventually made public and available free at Family History Centers or at the FamilySearch website.

“You can help,” FamilySearch.org states. “No special skills are required. Volunteer when you have time. Just register, sign in and follow the easy steps shown below:

Select a batch of 10 to 50 records to download.

Copy key information from the record to your computer.

Submit the information you’ve copied back to FamilySearch.”

To get started, go to www.familysearch.org. The website offers tips and answers to frequently asked questions. In addition, many wards have indexing specialists who can help ward members get started.

Mesa FamilySearch Library offers Family History Classes, Helps

The Mesa Family History Research Center, now referred to as the Mesa FamilySearch Library Training Center, offers a wide range of classes and workshops as well as one-on-one assistance for people who visit the center. The Mesa FamilySearch Library also accommodates ward and stake groups that can reserve the training center for their use.

The Mesa FamilySearch Library is located at 41 South Hobson, in Mesa, just east of the Mesa Arizona Temple. It is open Mondays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesdays through Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library can be reached by calling 480-964-1200.

The library’s website (at www.mrfhc.org) offers valuable tools and helps, including information about how to teach young people about family history. The site also has a list of upcoming events as well as a calendar or schedules classes and workshops. To sign up for a class, call 480-964-1200 or email admin@mrfhc.org. To schedule the Mesa FamilySearch Library Training Center for ward or stake use, call Gordon Mulleneaux at 480-813-3435 or 480-829-2999. The Mesa FamilySearch Library and also hosts a speakers’ bureau. If you would like to schedule a guest speaker, call 480-964-1200 and ask for Steve Packer.

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"Courage to Thrive" is theme of first annual charity writing contest

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

The nonprofit organization, Writers Unite to Fight Cancer (WUFC), is accepting entries for its first annual charity writing contest, the theme of which is "Courage to Thrive." The contest is open to any genre (except erotica and horror) including fiction, young adult novels, nonfiction and children's books as well as poetry and lyrics.

The Virginia G. Piper Creative Writing Center at ASU has partnered with WUFC to promote the event and judge entries. Distinguished and award-winning authors who have volunteered to judge include Kerry

Blair, Larry Brooks, Joyce DiPastena, Pamela Goodfellow, Cynthia Hogue, Cecily Markland, Ethel Lee Miller, Heather B. Moore, Angela Morrison, Rev. Beverly Jane Phillips, Jewel Parker Rhodes, Holly Robinson and Conrad Storad.

Winners and finalists will be announced at an awards ceremony at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 27 at Changing Hands Bookstore in Tempe. Winning projects will be published in the WUFC First Annual Writing Contest Anthology: Courage to Thrive. (Note: Winners must be willing to work with the WUFC editorial staff to make their project publication-ready in

order to be included.)

All entries must use the theme, "Courage to Thrive." Contestants must be 18 years or older and may be published or pre-published. There is a 4,000 word limit per entry. Contestants may enter more than one project; fee per submission is \$30. All entry fees will be donated to the Virginia G. Piper Cancer Center Community Outreach Program and Research. Deadline is midnight August 15.

For questions or more details, contact Margaret Turley at writer-sunitetofightcancer@gmail.com or call 480-586-7902.

Voting Is Our Constitutional Right

By Cindy R. Williams
The Beehive

This year, we have the opportunity to voice our opinion regarding who we want to lead our country. Yet, if statistics hold true in Arizona, many won't take that opportunity.

"The most important thing one can do is vote," says Mickie Niland, of the Ray Ward, Gilbert Greenfield Stake, who serves as a precinct committeeman.

"This election is critical," she adds. "If people choose to stay home and not exercise their right to vote, their views will not be reflected in the people that are elected."

Yet, according to a United States Election Project at George Mason University, the turnout for Arizona voters is consistently below the rest of the United States by 5 to 10 percent.

This year, "Arizona is a toss-up state so every vote will count here. If you are already registered to vote, then make a goal to register one friend or family member. If you're not, then take 90 seconds and go to www.servicearizona.com and register to vote," says Warren Petersen of the Gilbert Greenfield Stake.

To make voting easier, Sister Niland suggests, "Sign up for permanent early ballots to be delivered to your home. It's easier than waiting in line, especially with young families."

In the October 1950 General Conference report, President Ezra Taft Benson, was quoted, saying: "If we keep the commandments we'll be good citizens. We'll exercise our right to vote. We'll follow the counsel which the Lord has given in the revelations regarding our obligation to seek out 'honest men and wise men' (D&C 98:8-10) who will stand for principle, men who will put principle ahead of political expediency."

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Church and Red Cross Sign Agreement to Continue Relationship

A partnership of service has been renewed between The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons) and the American Red Cross to help those in need.

Gail McGovern, president and CEO of the American Red Cross, told a news conference at the Church's Welfare Square in Salt Lake City, Utah, on June 20, 2012, that the new agreement includes greater coordination with the Church in sponsoring blood drives.

"Every two seconds someone in our country needs a blood transfusion," said McGovern. "And, time and time again, Church members have rolled up their sleeves to make life-saving donations, and that is such an act of generosity. Here in the Utah region, Latter-day Saints donate 50,000 units of blood annually in Church-hosted blood drives."

The renewed partnership means the Church will increase its participation by hosting more blood drives in meetinghouses and other Church facilities.

McGovern explained the Red Cross ships six to ten million units of blood per year to hospitals. In the Utah region, the Church's effort of sponsoring blood drives accounts for 25 percent of all the blood donated.

"I would like the public to know," said McGovern, that "the Red Cross is more prepared than ever when disaster strikes because of the relationship we have with the LDS Church."

The two organizations have worked together very effectively for more than 25 years in disaster relief, blood drives, financial and in-kind donations and the Measles Initiative, which

has resulted in vaccinating 213 million children in more than 40 African countries.

In addition to blood drives, the Church will be involved in disaster planning, training and drills and in identifying shelter locations.

"The Church has created a strong culture of preparedness among its members," McGovern said. "I believe it can be a model for others throughout the country." The Church counsels members to be prepared for a personal emergency or natural disaster by preparing emergency plans and having basic emergency supplies on hand.

"As members of the Church we are committed to helping the poor and the needy, and we view that as a divine mandate," said Steve Peterson, managing director of Church Welfare Services. "Our partnership with the American Red Cross and others simply strengthens our position to be able to do what we feel is our responsibility as Church members."

"I'm grateful for the depth and breadth of the partnership that the Red Cross has with the Church," concluded McGovern. "Together, we are helping people in need down the street, across the country and around the world."



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HORNE KIA in Gilbert Continues Reputation for Quality Products and Service

By Cecily Markland
The Beehive

They call themselves the “real deal” and promise “first-rate customer service.” And, from Horne Kia, in Gilbert, you’ll not only get what they promise—you’ll be treated to much more.

Horne Auto Group has a reputation across the state for upright business practices and ethics, and their newest enterprise in Gilbert has continued that 100-year tradition.

The milestones they have received says a great deal, as within a year after opening in 2009, they were the number two Kia dealer in the state, and, by the next year, Horne Kia in Gilbert was among the top 100 Kia dealerships in the country.

What says even more is the reaction of customers. “I couldn’t believe car-buying could be so painless,” says Janelle Emerson, a recent Horne Kia customer. “It was a fun experience to work with such a knowledgeable, customer-friendly team.”

That’s how Robert Horne wanted it, when he started in the automobile business in 1991 in Show Low. His intent was to further the business ethics he had learned from his father, Gail, and pass those practices on to his sons.

From that small start, Robert Horne and sons—Aaron, Adam, Andrew, and son-in-law Martin Jones—have expanded the business across Arizona with dealerships in Show Low, Globe, Apache Junction, Nogales and Gilbert.

Sam Cooper, Horne Kia’s general manager, says their success stems from a good name and good service.

“Both names—Horne and Kia—have a good reputation for value,” Sam says. “People see the Hornes’ conservative values and the ‘small town’ way they do business, always treating other people



Photo courtesy of Sam Cooper

Building on the Horne family tradition for upright business practices and excellent customer service, Horne Kia in Gilbert is known for its quality automobiles, value pricing and, most of all, for its “small-town” style friendliness and customer care.

the way they like to be treated,” and “Kia has a good reputation for value as well. They are committed to building a quality vehicle. Their product has improved every year.”

After 25+ years in the car business, Sam recognizes it’s not always the case, but, “Here,” he says, “they do what they say they’re going to.”

Horne Kia is also “very aggressive on price,” Sam says. “All our used cars are at market or below, and that value pricing carries over into our service department as well.”

“I got a good price, and they were able to arrange the financing in a way that will work for me,” Janelle

says. In addition, the Horne Kia service department offers the full range of services on all makes and models—including brake jobs, battery replacement and oil changes—typically at lower prices than at well-known chain repair shops.

“We also price match on our tires, so we guarantee the lowest prices,” Sam says. “Bottom line, we’re in business to serve our customers and to build our business through customer retention,” he says.

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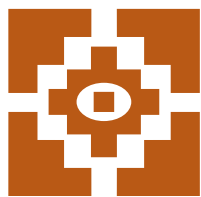
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Outdoor Production Celebrates Arizona Statehood

By Valerie Ipson
The Beehive

In celebration of Arizona's Centennial, American Family Productions (AFP) presents "The Sounds of Statehood." The musical production, written by Jodi Flake, founder of AFP, details the story of Arizona and how it ultimately gained statehood. The performance includes historical vignettes set in Tucson, Tempe, Pinedale, Flagstaff, and Jerome to highlight important milestones in the journey toward statehood.

Thanks to the town of Taylor, the show will be performed in the Taylor Rodeo Arena during the Sweet Corn Festival over Labor Day weekend—August 31, September 1 and 3.

At least 100 cast members sing, dance and perform in the musical, with an additional 25 serving as crew members.

The mission of American Family Productions is to strengthen the family through the performing arts. Through the Centennial musical and other productions, students and their families have the opportunity to participate in wholesome, family activities. They learn about real-life heroes and

heroines from the past. Additionally, they gain valuable experience and receive professional instruction—whether it's dance, vocal or dramatic—all for free.

AFP is a non-profit organization. Based in Snowflake, it involves students across the state. Sister Flake, a member of the Snowflake 8th Ward of the Snowflake Stake, strives to involve as many youth as possible and to represent a variety of cultures. Indeed, "The Sounds of Statehood" draws from the Latino, Navajo and Apache communities to help fill the cast. Latter-day Saints as well as members



Photo courtesy Jodi Flake

Jodi Flake, founder of American Family Productions, wrote and directs the Centennial performance, «The Sounds of Statehood», an outdoor musical that depicts the story of how Arizona became a state.

of other faiths participate.

Composition students from Eastern Arizona College helped complete orchestral arrangements for the performance; then, last fall, members of the White Mountain Symphony recorded the sound track. Currently being finalized are the choral and vocal solo tracks, dialogue, and sound effects.

High school choirs from Holbrook, White Cone, Joseph City, Show Low and Snowflake will record choral numbers.

Jodi is married to Keith Flake, and they have 29 grandchildren. She

obtained a Master's of Music degree from Arizona State University, and she and her family have been involved in music and dance for over 17 years in the Snowflake area.

In addition to the Centennial production, Jodi has written and produced five other musicals.

"It is thrilling to watch young people increase their confidence while practicing and performing on stage," she says. "Participation in an AFP production changes the lives of young people forever. Besides skills and talents developed, they learn to work hard and as a team. They learn to set aside prejudices."

For information about American Family Productions, the Centennial show or future productions, email jodi_flake@frontiernet.net For advance tickets for the Labor Day weekend shows in Taylor (\$6 for adults, \$3 for children), call Rodeo Video at 928-536-7111. Tickets also will be available at the door (\$7 for adults, \$3.50 for children).

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IN THE MOMMY ZONE...

By Kristie Young Fairbanks

He emerged from the sterile environment with a nurse clenching his left arm, stabilizing him. He looked pale and disoriented, his eyes half cocked, staring straight into oblivion.

I asked him if he was alright and he mumbled an undecipherable, deep-throated croak. I looked at his towering, 18-year-old frame swaying to and fro as he tried to steady his vertigo.

The nurse announced she would escort him to our vehicle. I felt somewhat helpless as she steered him out of the medical lobby. I followed along behind, opening doors, trying to be helpful. He shuffled along, moseying about in some sort of mental fog. She mechanically led him away, as he desperately tried to brace his clumsy footing, muttering inaudibly.

Ever so slowly, the duo meandered

wobbly down the lane, creating quite an entertaining sight. An imperceptible snicker mistakenly escaped me in reaction to this amusing scenario.

We finally reached our minivan and the nurse gently helped him into the passenger's seat.

I turned to him and asked if I could be of any assistance. He mumbled a few insensible words, laid his drowsed head back, and started snoozing while his mouth gaped open.

We both sat there, my oldest son and I, in the parking lot of the oral surgeon that had just extracted four of his impacted wisdom teeth. He sat in a post-operative vegetative state, with sterile gauze pads protruding from his swollen mouth.

I called his name, gently stroking his curly blonde hair. He grunted a groggy retort. We sat some more, he

trying to fight off the residual symptoms of his anesthesia and me trying to fight off the pitiful laughter broiling up inside me.

I tried everything in my power to keep my chuckles in check. I bit my top lip, appearing caring and concerned. I inhaled deep breaths of air to gag my giggles, but they burst forth into obnoxious belly roars until the tears literally flowed down my cheeks. It was a choice moment we shared together.

I was told he needed a caregiver for the next few days and I felt totally equipped for the job. Id stocked up on Jello, soup, yogurt, applesauce, and ice cream. I was looking forward to this quality caregiving, as he had been living away at college for the past year.

I reminisced the days when he was little, me taking care of him, feeding him soft and smooth foods that required no chewing. Here we were again, me dabbing at his mouth with care as the dribbles cascaded from his numbed lips. Since half of his visage had no feeling, it was quite a feat to help him swallow anything.

He tried to smile in gratitude, but his bloated face, frozen with Novocaine, wouldn't cooperate. I smiled for him instead.

I held the ice packs that soothed his painfully sore jaw. I gladly policed his pain medication, savoring my limited time with him. All too soon, he would be gone once again, this time, mission bound.

I guess the art of parenting never ceases. It's a lifetime commitment, one in which I've cherished and relished over the past 18 years. It has given me great meaning, laughter, blessings, memories, and six choice and precious reasons to wake up each and every morning smiling.

I wear many hats respectively and respond to many different names, but the one title that I spend most often trying to perfect, the matchless, all-encompassing role that truly makes me who I am, is that of mother. For me, it's one invaluable persona I couldn't live without, Novocaine and all!

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